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Sunday Journal-Star
Peoria, Ill.
Circ. 100,447
9/24
SEP 25 1966

Peorian Reports Seeing Flying Object Which Took Over Control Of His Auto

A 21-year-old Peoria man said a round blue object in the sky took control of his car early yesterday morning and drove him several miles out of his way.

Leon P. Gaines of 102 W. 2nd Ave., said he saw the object twice, the first time when he was taking his girl friend, Miss Geneva Robinson of 719 W. McBean St., Apt. 473, to her home about 2:30 a.m.

BE DESCRIBED the object as large and blue and when he and Miss Robinson say it hovered over Dewey Cleaners, 900 S. Sheridan Rd., for several minutes, they said.

Gaines said that as he drove his car toward it to investigate, the object zoomed into the sky and disappeared, Miss Robinson gave the same description of the object as Gaines.

Gaines said the object took control of his car a short time later on his way home from Miss Robinson's.

He said that as he turned from MacArthur Highway onto Second Ave., the object, smaller but still blue, reappeared and suddenly "seemed to take control" of his car.

"My car began to pick up speed . . . the brakes wouldn't work . . . and the doors wouldn't open," Gaines related. He said he tried to steer the vehicle, but the steering apparatus also failed.

GAINES STATED that the object remained above his car as it went out Second avenue to Seventh avenue, past the Madison Park shopping center and almost to the intersection of the airport road.

Gaines said he regained control of his car and drove to the police station where he reported the incident. He said he was frightened by the incident . . . "it kind of shakes you up."

"When I saw it I knew it couldn't be the moon . . . I also knew that if it had been the moon it would have been the prettiest one I had ever seen," Gaines said.

"When I first saw the blue object I drove toward it because I wanted to get a closer look," Gaines said.

After receiving the first report from Miss Robinson, the police department contacted Hena City Radar Base officials who could shed no light on the sighting.

Officials there suggested a weather balloon might have fallen in the area. They said they had received a couple other calls about the object.

A Journal Star route man reported he saw a round object in the sky about 4:35 a.m. when he was delivering papers east of the city. He said at first it looked like an orange moon. Then, he said, it took on the appearance of a rising rocket. Later, he reported, he looked back at it and saw what appeared to be jet vapor trails.

Columbus Evening Dispatch
Columbus, O.
P. M. Circ. 213,146
on 9/24
SEP 24 1966

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East's Cloud-Coloring Experiment Surprises Unsuspecting Ohioans

It was one of those clear nights you could see forever in Ohio—or at least as far as the Atlantic Coast.

Scientists colored some clouds over the East Coast in an overnight experiment, and the clouds were apparently seen by many Ohioans early Saturday. Reports from people who saw the lights in the East came from as far west as Xenia.

The multicolored clouds spread several hundred miles along the coast. They were illuminated by the sun and colored with a barium and copper oxide payload that was ejected from a rocket.

IN FAIRFIELD County the lights were seen by Sheriff's Deputies Charles Dupler and Jim Hampson.

"It was a large, round, white light," said Dupler. "I didn't think much about it."

But, Dupler added, two raccoon hunters who had seen a light about seven miles southwest of Lancaster had a different reaction. They reported to the sheriff's office that the "object" appeared to be dropping toward their car.

THEY DIDN'T wait for a landing.

In Licking County Sheriff's Deputy Charles Pinney said he saw a light in the sky which he described as a circle bisected by a dark, cigar-shaped band.

"It was high," Pinney said, "too high to judge. But there didn't seem to be anything material about it, nothing solid. It seemed to grow larger without getting closer, then disappeared, like smoke expanding and dissipating."

PINNEY SAID the light appeared to glow green, then a slaty blue.

The joint experiment by the National Space Agency and the West German Ministry of Scientific Research is to measure the electric fields and wind motion in the upper atmosphere. A similar launching is scheduled for early Sunday morning.

DEFIANCE CRESCENT-NEWS
DEFIANCE, O.
F.W.-circ.11,074

On 9/24

SEPT. 24, 1966

Defiance People See Strange Sight

SCORES OF OHIO and Indiana residents, including several from this vicinity, reportedly sighted an unidentified flying object early this morning.

Gerhardt Luderman, Sherwood, who is employed in plant protection at the Central Foundry plant, said that he first thought it was the moon when he sighted something in the eastern sky at 4:24 a.m.

HE SAID that he was on a routine inspection tour of the plant when the object was observed at a 40-degree angle above the eastern horizon. On second glance he realized that it was not the moon, being about twice its normal size and darker with a bluish green cast. He watched it as it moved upward and away, disappearing in a couple of minutes.

Luderman called city police about 10 minutes later and they advised that they were hearing many radio reports from Ohio and Indiana police departments. Very similar sightings were reported. One reported that a "ball of fire" appeared to land on the athletic field at Anderson College, Anderson, Ind.

EUGENE Smith, Holgate Ave., also was among the local persons who reported seeing an unidentified flying object at same time.

Sunday Tribune
Chicago, Ill.
Circ. 1,220,294

On 9/24

SEP 25 1966

Weird Lights in Sky Caused by Rocket

Bright lights seen in the sky from the Atlantic coast west to Illinois early yesterday apparently were caused by clouds ejected by a rocket launched from Wallops Island, Va., Eric Zeimer, a member of the astronomy department of Adler planetarium said yesterday.

Scores of persons between Virginia and northern Illinois reported sightings of brilliant objects or lights in the sky between 4 and 4:30 a. m., Chicago time. In the Chicago area, persons reporting the sightings included police and residents of the northern suburbs and pilots landing at O'Hare International airport.

Zeimer said the four-stage rocket emitted two clouds, one at an altitude of 310 miles, the other at 970 miles. These clouds, made up of barium and copper oxide, appeared as bright lights when illuminated by the sun, Zeimer said.

Experiment by Government

The rocket was an experiment conducted by the National Aeronautics and Space administration and the Max Planck institute of Munich, Germany.

A similar launching is scheduled for 4:51 a. m. Chicago time today. It is expected to remain visible for 30 to 60 minutes. The experiments are to study electronic and magnetic fields in the upper atmosphere.

In some areas, clouds from yesterday's launch were reported to be light green with a red tinge, then to turn blue, forming elongated patterns.

Big Ice Cream Cone

Sgt. Leroy Welth of the Arlington Heights police reported that he and three of his men watched the bright light in the sky between 4 and 4:30 a. m. He said it looked like a large ice cream cone with a round ball at one end and a narrowing tail streaming from it.

"Some of the men thought it was moving," Sgt. Welth said. "But it seemed like it was simply getting brighter and dimmer."

EAST LIVERPOOL REVIEW
EAST LIVERPOOL, O.
P.M., Sat. circ. 13,007

On 9/24

SEPT. 24, 1966

Officer Sights Strange Light Over Lisbon

LISBON — Another "flying object" has made its appearance in the district.

This time it was a glowing, disc-like light sighted over Lisbon early today by Police Officer Richard Koffel, who failed to obtain confirmation from Sheriff's Deputy Dave Brothers, 10 miles away near Salem.

Koffel said the meteor he saw on the midnight turn, several weeks ago didn't compare with what he observed at 3:30 a.m. today as he stood in the Maple Home parking lot.

He said the light was about 45 degrees in the eastern sky and had no distinct outline except for being "round and flat with a little peak at the top." He said it appeared to glow "like those radiation things on ..."

He notified the sheriff's office by radio, asking the night deputy to take a look. When Koffel glanced at the sky again, the light had changed shape to a long shaft — an elongated teardrop. This remained until sunrise, dimming as the sky brightened.

"Look east and tell me what you see," was Koffel's request of Brothers. The deputy radioed, "Stars and clouds."

Koffel said there were no clouds here and the sky was full of stars. "The atmosphere was so clear you could see for miles."

The light was much bigger than a full moon and didn't seem to be far away, he said. It did not move, although the last visible portion, after it changed shape, was lower in the sky.

The County Jail radio man heard no other reports of the light from this area, but did overhear a conversation near Columbus in which two coon hunters were so alarmed at a light they had seen "they were never going back in the woods after dark."

Sunday American
Chicago, Ill.
Circ. 551,881
SEP 25 1966

Scores See Object Fly Over Lake

SCORES OF persons early yesterday saw a brilliant unidentified object in the sky over Lake Michigan, northeast of Chicago.

Policemen in northwest and north shore suburbs saw it between 4 and 4:30 a. m. and they got calls from others who saw it. Calls were received at local radio stations and the weather bureau.

James Murray, a Chicago's American reporter en route to the Kenilworth police station to cover developments in the Percy murder, saw the object between 4:20 and 4:25 a. m. while driving at Illinois Highway 83 and Euclid avenue in Prospect Heights.

"I saw a large black object with a white ring around it about 4,000 feet in the air," Murray reported. "At first I thought it might be a reflection of my bright headlights. But when I stopped and turned off my lights, the 'thing' was still there.

"It looked like an eclipse. It didn't make any noise and it was traveling east."

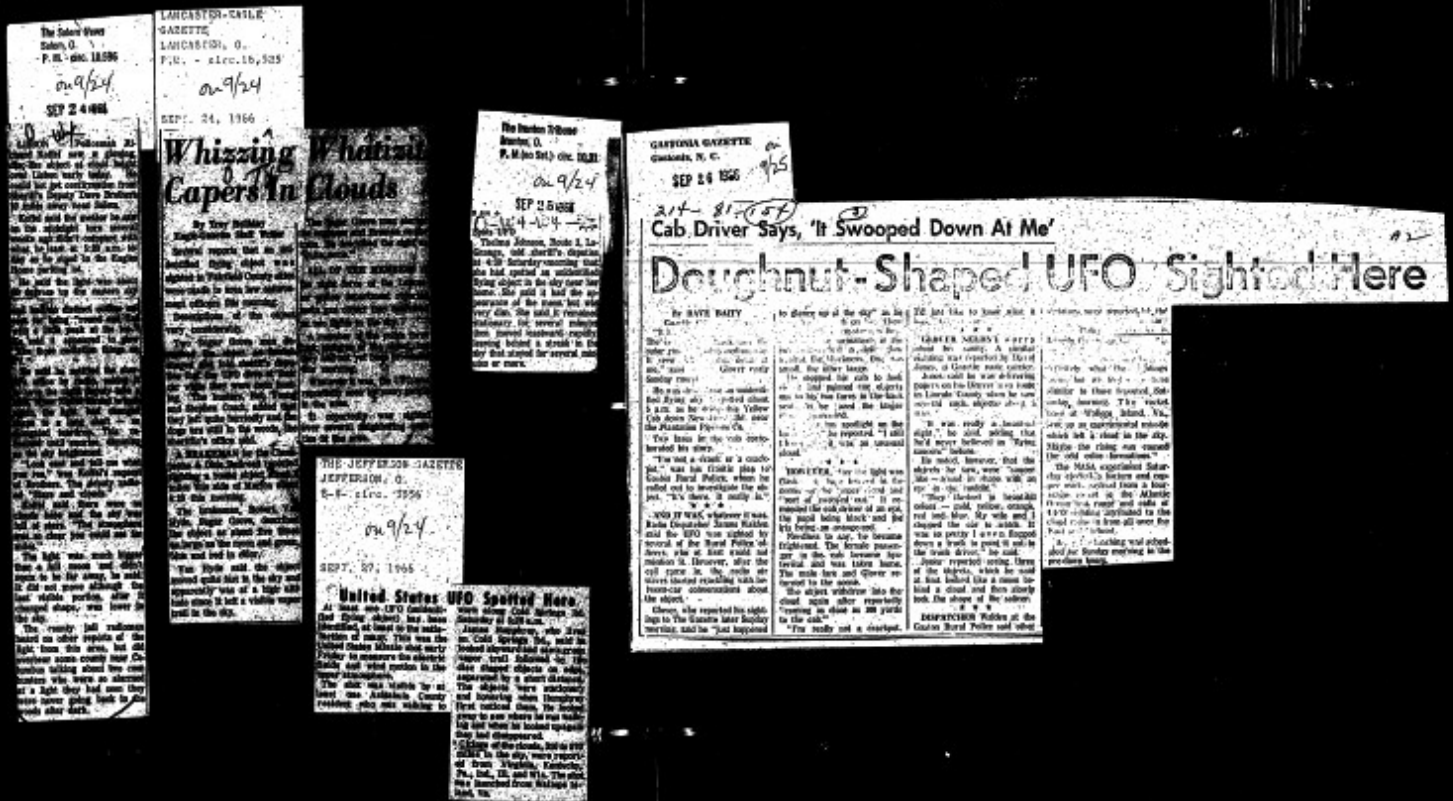
Four air line pilots reported to the control tower at O'Hare airport that they saw a brilliant light at an estimated 4,000-foot altitude some 100 miles east-northeast of Chicago.

A RASH of similar sightings elsewhere in the midwest coincided with hundreds in the east, where a spokesman for NASA offered this possible explanation:

A rocket was launched at 4:13 a. m. Chicago time at Wallops Island, Va.; the rocket released a dust cloud for observing and measuring electrical fields and wind motion, and the discharge, between 310 and 570 miles aloft caught the rays of the rising sun and reflected them.

A Chicago weather bureau meteorologist suggested that the sky was exceptionally clear and that it was "quite possible that a light from beyond the horizon could have figured in an atmospheric trick aided by the mirror effect of the lake." He said no meteors fell in the area at that time.

POLICEMEN Al Largo and Clyde Fazenbaker of Kenilworth were driving in the suburb when they saw the object at 4:20 a. m. Largo described it as "a huge ball, black in the center and surrounded by a white smoke ring."



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Salem, O.
P. M. - circ. 18,596
on 9/24
SEP 24 1966

LANCASTER-EAGLE GAZETTE
LANCASTER, O.
P.M. - circ.16,525
on 9/24
SEPT. 24, 1966

Whizzing Capers In Clouds

By Tony Dobbins
Eagle-Gazette Staff Writer

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The Review Tribune
Bucyrus, O.
P. M. (no Sat.) circ. 10,311
on 9/24
SEP 25 1966

GASTONIA GAZETTE
Gastonia, N. C.
SEP 26 1966
on 9/25

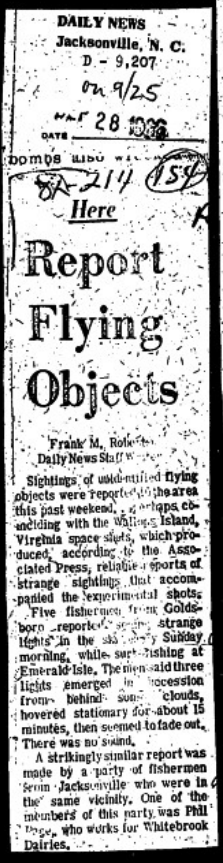
Cab Driver Says, 'It Swooped Down At Me'

Doughnut-Shaped UFO Sighted Here

By DAVE DAITY
Gazette Staff Writer

THE JEFFERSON GAZETTE
JEFFERSON, O.
E-F- circ. 1956
on 9/24
SEPT. 27, 1966

United States UFO Spotted Here



DAILY NEWS
Jacksonville, N. C.
D - 9,207
on 9/25
MAR 28 1966
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Report Flying Objects

Frank M. Rote
Daily News Staff W

Sightings of unidentified flying objects were reported in the area this past weekend, perhaps coinciding with the Wallops Island, Virginia space shots, which produced, according to the Associated Press, reliable reports of strange sightings that accompanied the experimental shots.

Five fishermen from Goldsboro reported seeing strange lights in the sky early Sunday morning, while out fishing at Emerald Isle. The men said three lights emerged in succession from behind some clouds, hovered stationary for about 15 minutes, then seemed to fade out. There was no sound.

A strikingly similar report was made by a party of fishermen from Jacksonville who were in the same vicinity. One of the members of this party was Phil Page, who works for Whitebrook Dairies.

Still another group of Jacksonville fishermen made almost a duplicate report, with the exception that only two lights were seen. None of the various parties involved knew of the reports made by the other groups.

The Humphrey Brothers, who operate a service station on Highway 17 North, reported seeing what looked like, ". . .two spotlights." He added, "But that wasn't it, because they left no trail behind them."

They first spotted the "mystery lights," Sunday morning at 4:50 and were able to observe them for about 15 minutes. Eventually, according to Bill Humphrey, . . "They just sort-of faded out of sight."

While they were in sight however, they were motionless and soundless. One was ". . .huge and bright, the other was smaller." They appeared to be purplish with a tinge of orange and blue. . .but appeared dimmer as dawn appeared brighter. . .

The Humphreys, their wives and four other couples had been fishing at Emerald Isle when they made the sighting.

Mrs. Bill Humphrey said they fished there many, many times and often watched. . ."the moon go down, the sun coming up. . . the stars. But," she added, "We've never seen anything like this."

When asked if what they saw could have been a plane, helicopter or anything else they knew about, their answer was an emphatic "No!!"

They had a rough time estimating its distance, but said it was several thousand feet up. "Even at that distance, they were easy to see. . .and whatever they were. . .it was easy to see they were quite big."

Neither of the Humphrey Brothers has ever had much to do with the subject of unidentified flying objects. "I think I read a couple of things about it," Bill Humphrey stated. . ."But I never really thought much about them."

They're thinking and talking about them now, though. . .as are thousands and thousands of people the world over. . .who've also spotted unidentified flying objects. . .mysterious objects that have never been satisfactorily explained.

NEWS AND OBSERVER
Raleigh, N. C.
Daily 133,578 on 9/25
SEP 27 1966

Fishermen See Strange Lights

GOLDSBORO — A group of five Goldsboro fishermen reported Monday that they saw strange lights in the sky early Sunday while out fishing at Emerald Isle.

The men said three red lights emerged in succession from behind some clouds, hovered nearly about 15 minutes, then disappeared. No noise was heard.

GOLDSBORO NEWS ARGUS
Goldsboro, N. C.
D - 13,903 on 9/25
SEP 26 1966

Fishermen Spot UFOs Along Coast

A group of Goldsboro fishermen said today that three strange lights hovered over them early Sunday while they fished near Bogue Inlet.

"They came one at a time, like big, red moons. They stopped right over us and glowed out," said Ray Capps, a mechanic at Dan Ward Motor Co. There was no sound.

Also seeing the objects were Harold Hill, Willie Phelps, Charles Miller and Linwood Newsome.

Rochester, N. Y.
Democrat & Chronicle
SEP 26 1966
on 9/25

'Strange Light' Seen In Sky Near Albion

ALBION — Residents of the Allen Road, near the Gaines Basin Road, reported to police yesterday they saw a blue-white light in the sky about 8 a.m. on a background of dark clouds, with an orange ball edged with a green tint, coming out of the center of the blue light.

The phenomenon was confirmed by Sheriff's Deputy Richard Wagner and Village Patrolman Blaine Sullinger, as well as Gordon Garner. They were unable to give any explanation.

Part I—MON., SEPT. 26, 1966 Los Angeles Times
on 9/25

Colored Clouds Again Formed in Space Test

WALLOPS ISLAND, Va. (UPI)—Space scientists seeking more knowledge of the earth's magnetic field colored the skies over the eastern United States Sunday for the second consecutive day.

U.S. and German scientists used a Nike-Tomahawk two-stage rocket to launch a package of barium and copper oxide particles that formed streaks of red, green and blue clouds that were photographed at stations along the Virginia and North Carolina coasts and on Bermuda.

The Saturday experiment, which planted the clouds at higher altitudes, was seen over most of the eastern part of the nation and was believed responsible for reports from witnesses in the Midwest of unidentified flying objects.

In the Sunday experiment the clouds were formed in layers 125 miles and 190 miles above earth. On Saturday, the clouds were created at 310 miles and 570 miles.

By tracing their course in the upper atmosphere, scientists hope to learn more about the earth's magnetic forces and the behavior of upper level winds.

The rocket rose to 200 miles before burning out and falling into the Atlantic Ocean.

The launchings were sponsored by the West German Ministry of Scientific Research and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. The payloads were developed in West Germany by Max Planck Institute.

A NASA spokesman in Washington said it was hoped this same technique could be developed to learn more about electromagnetic fields in space and the interaction between the solar wind and lunar plasma clouds.

THE EVENING LEADER
ST. MARYS, O.
P.M. - circ. 5410
on 9/26

SEPT. 27, 1966

SIGHTED STRANGE LIGHT, SOUTHEAST SKY

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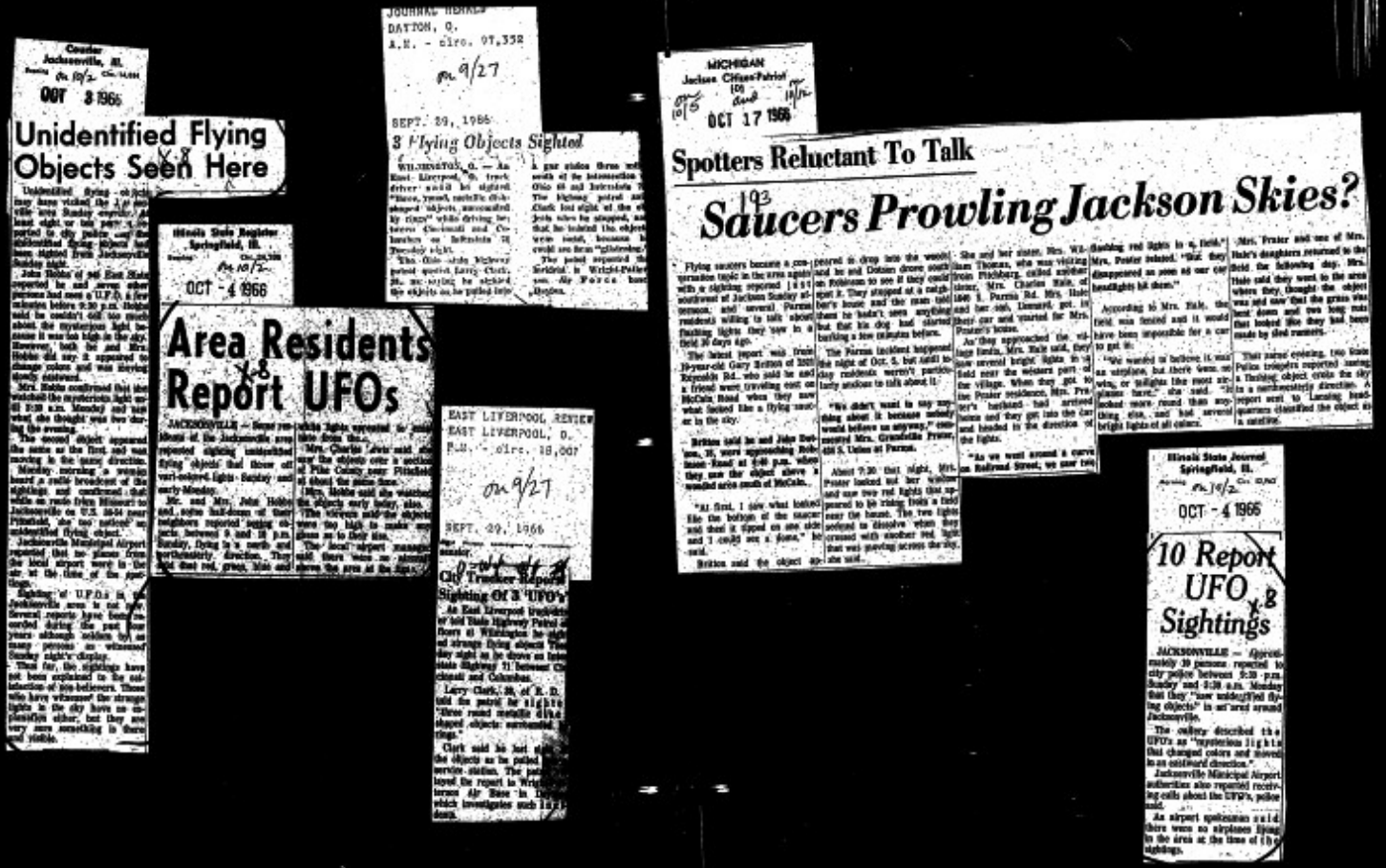
Dan Hemmelgarn reported today that in the southeast sky last evening a light appeared which became larger, then decreased in size at three periodic intervals.

Dan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hemmelgarn of R. R. St. Marys, 66A south of St. Marys. He said the light was quite bright in the heavens.

Dan said he saw the light about 7:45 p. m.



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Jacksonville, Ill.
Oct 3 1966

Unidentified Flying Objects Seen Here

Illinois State Register
Springfield, Ill.
OCT - 4 1966

Area Residents Report UFOs

JOURNAL HERALD
DAYTON, O.
A.M. - circ. 97,332
9/27
SEPT. 29, 1966

3 Flying Objects Sighted

EAST LIVERPOOL REVIEW
EAST LIVERPOOL, O.
P.M. - circ. 18,007
9/27
SEPT. 29, 1966

MICHIGAN
Jackson Citizen-Patriot
OCT 17 1966

Spotters Reluctant To Talk

193 Saucers Prowling Jackson Skies?

Illinois State Journal
Springfield, Ill.
OCT - 4 1966

10 Report UFO Sightings

DAILY STAR
SHELBY, N. C.
D-13,226
OCT 8
ON 10/7 and 10/7

DATE: 15th

Lattimore Boy Reports Seeing Flying Saucer

The unidentified lady near Waco who Friday told the Daily Star she saw a flying saucer near her home isn't the only unidentified Cleveland County resident to spot unidentified flying objects in recent days.

A 13 - year - old Lattimore School student says he's seen two flying saucers on two separate occasions in the past week.

The boy's father called the Daily Star this morning to report his son's sightings. He declined to give the son's name. "They might kid him in school," said the father.

The boy reportedly saw a flying saucer above the family's Double Springs Community house last Sunday around 9 p.m.

The boy says he again saw a flying saucer Friday night around 8 p.m. in the same area.

He says both made no noise and had red blinking lights.

The lady from Waco also identified the flying object she saw as making no noise and having red blinking lights.

MICHIGAN
Petoskey News-Review
(D) ON 10/6
OCT 7 - 1966

UFO's 193 are Back! Seen Near Harbor

The UFO's are flying again.

At least several persons in the Harbor Springs area and state police on night patrol saw something.

Shortly after dusk last night, a green and redlight appeared in the sky, near the horizon traveling in a northwesterly direction. Spotters who failed to identify themselves said the object would remain stationary for several minutes and then move from one side to another.

A state police patrol near the area also watched the object. It appeared again later in the evening about 8 p.m. and this time there appeared to be two of them, both traveling in the same direction.

Harbor Springs city police were also alerted and reported spotting lights. No identification or reason for the lights were given.

GREENVILLE DAILY
ADVOCATE
GREENVILLE, O.
P.M. - circ. 10,429
ON 10/7
OCT. 7, 1966

UFO Sighted Here Early This Morning

An Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) was sighted from Greenville early this morning and will be investigated by Project Bluebook, Wright-Patterson AFB. The object was first sighted at 2:30 a.m. today by Mrs. Thomas Hanes, wife of the city safety director. She woke up her husband and the two watched the object for about 10 minutes, and then alerted city police, who verified the sighting. The Hanes live on the corner of Parkway Drive and Ross Road, and the UFO was sighted in the eastsoutheast. "It was white, and circular, but flickered other colors and changed its form sometimes," Safety Director Hanes said. Two city police men and the Hanes observed the object for nearly an hour.

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Sacremento Calif
on 10/8

Oregon Deer Hunters Report Sighting UFO

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. — Two Klamath Falls couples, deer hunting near Silver Lake, east of Klamath Falls, reported sighting an identified flying object above mountains as they sat at a deer stand.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fritz and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fitzgerald watched the UFO through binoculars for several minutes.

"The colors were red, green and yellow. They were flashing like traffic lights and the thing was revolving. The lights would get brighter. It was beautiful. never saw anything like it," Fitzgerald told city police officers.

It disappeared above the mountains, the couples reported.

Herald & News
Klamath Falls Ore
on 10/8
OCT 12 1966

Binoculars Were Used

Klamath Couple Spot UFO While Deer-Hunting

Flying saucer watchers of New Jersey and South Dakota whose eerie sightings were reported via United Press in this newspaper Tuesday have nothing on a quartet of observers here.

Jim Fritz, 4759 Laverne, told the Herald and News last night that he and three others "saw the same sort of object viewers had seen in South Dakota."

Said Fritz:

"It was Saturday night about 8:30. We were sitting on a deer stand and suddenly saw an object moving south to north, passing over Edgewood Mountain. We were on the Will Banta place near Silver Lake.

Wife Spotted It

"My wife, Judy, saw it first. She was looking through binoculars. We had two sets of them, 7x35 and 6x35.

"We also saw the thing through 2½x8 scopes.

"The colors were red, green and yellow. They were flashing like traffic lights and the thing was revolving, like the one in South Dakota. The lights would get brighter.

South Dakota Objects

"It was beautiful. Never saw anything like it."

The two UFOs reported by South Dakotans were seen Monday night in the Fort Thompson area. It was stated that "both resembled lighted merry-go-rounds." The first sighting was reported by a Kanabec rancher, Roger Huston, about 9 p.m., CST.

Two police officers and a game warden also saw the object in that area.

"The lights on the object (one of those seen) seemed to rotate, changing from red to green to yellow, while the other went from white to bluish green," witnesses said.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fitzgerald, 4400 Summers Lane, were hunting with the Fritzes when the foursome spotted the unidentified objects.

Pomeroy, O. Sentinel
OCT 11 1966
on 10/10

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Hollister Calif
OCT 11 1966
on 10/9

Local Woman Spo
New Flying Saucer

News
Robinson, Ill.
Cir. 4,104
Evening
on 10/10 OCT 11 1966

UFO Sighted By Students X-8 Here Monday

Three local students said they sighted an unidentified flying object Monday night in the south part of Robinson.

Mark Varner and Terry Morrison were visiting at the home of Tamara Brownfield on Fairbanks St. when they first sighted the UFO, which they described as a white ball streaming a white mist and traveling north to south.

This occurred at 8 p.m. and at 8:15 they said they saw the same object traveling east to west. As Mark went home he said he sighted it again going over the refinery from south to north. He described the object as something smaller than a beach ball.

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Saucers Spotted in 7 States

Saucers Return to U.S. Skies

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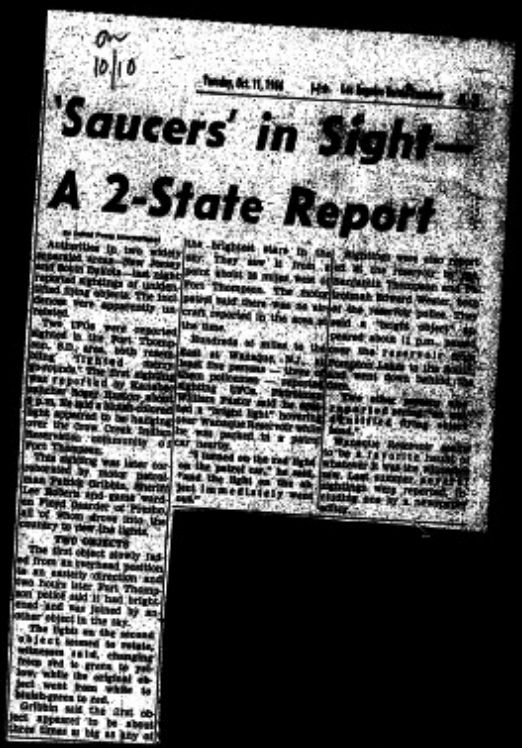

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Tuesday, Oct. 11, 1966

'Saucers' in Sight— A 2-State Report

By United Press International

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This sighting was later corroborated by motor patrolman Patrick Gribbin, Sheriff Lee Roberts and Game Warden Floyd Gaarder of Presho, all of whom drove into the country to view the lights.

TWO OBJECTS

The first object slowly raised from an overhead position in an easterly direction and two hours later Fort Thompson police said it had brightened and was joined by another object in the sky.

The lights on the second object seemed to rotate, witnesses said, changing from red to green to yellow while the original object went from white to bluish-green to red.

Gribbin said the first object appeared to be about three times as big as any of the brightest stars in the sky. They saw it from about 20 miles west of Fort Thompson. The police said there was no aircraft reported in the area at the time.

Hundreds of miles to the east at Wanaque, N.J., at least five persons—three of them policemen—reported sighting UFOs. Patrolman William Foster said he spotted a "bright light" hovering over Wanaque Reservoir while he was parked in a patrol car nearby.

"I turned on the red light on the patrol car," he said, "and the light on the object immediately went out."

Sightings also were reported at the reservoir by Sgt. Benjamin Thompson and Patrolman Edward Western, both of the reservoir police. They said a "bright object" appeared about 11 p.m., passed over the reservoir from Pompton Lakes to the south, and went down behind the dam.

Two other persons also reported seeing a "an unidentified flying object" last night.

Wanaque reservoir seems to be a favorite haunt of whatever it was the witnesses saw. Last summer, several sightings were reported, including one by a newspaper editor.

Los Angeles Times

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6—PART II WEDNESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 12, 1966

on 10/11

UFOs Reported Seen in New Jersey, S. Dakota

Objects Like 'Lighted Merry-Go-Rounds' Described by Police, Other Watchers

By United Press International

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Joined By Another

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'Light Goes Out'

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Bright Light

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REPORT

Brule County, South Dakota

Chamberlain Register
Thursday, October 18

Bright Object Observed

A bright object was reported in the sky north of Kennebec Monday evening and descriptions from various sources noted it as a bright light, as similar to a merry-go-round in that it whirled and was lit up, and as changing color.

First report apparently came from Roscoe Husten, nine miles north and two miles west of Kennebec. After the family and an employe had watched it, they called Kennebec and contacted Highway Patrolman Joe Gribbin and Lyman County Sheriff Les Roberts, where the peace officers were in a conference with the states attorney.

Gribbin and Roberts, called at about 9 p.m., drove north of Kennebec about nine miles and stopped for an observation from the top of a high hill. They saw a bright light that appeared to be approximately over Ft. Thompson. To try for a definite location, the officers alerted Brule County Deputy Pat McGregor at Kimball and had the police at Ft. Thompson notified.

McGregor went north of Kimball and reported the object appeared to be northwest of him. At Ft. Thompson, police said it was approximately overhead and was whirling and lit up "like a merry-go-round."

Roberts and Gribbin also called Game Warden Floyd Gaarder at Presho. The latter used a powerful spotting scope for observation and reported he could almost make out the object and, with the aid of the scope, could see it changing colors.

Asked as to the apparent speed of the object, Sheriff Roberts said it was moving quite slowly while unde robservation, probably less than 25 miles per hour. They watched it for about two hours before returning to Kennebec.

Husten told the officers he and his family could hear a sound, something similar to a flock of geese while they were watching. Another observer, at Ft. Thompson, said there was a sound like "a truck driving very fast on a gravel road."

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THE NEW YORK TIMES, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1966.

'SAUCER' REPORTED IN NORTHERN JERSEY

WANAQUE, N. J., Oct. 11 (AP)—Residents and policemen said they saw a brilliant unidentified object flying above Wanaque Reservoir last night.

They described the object as saucer-shaped, about the size of an automobile and glowing with a white brilliance. The reservoir, part of the Newark water supply system, is about 25 miles northwest of Newark.

Sgt. Ben Thompson said he saw the object as he drove a patrol car along the reservoir.

"I saw the object coming at me," he said. "It went straight over my head, stopped in midair and backed right up. It then started zig zagging from left to right." "It was so bright I couldn't make out any of its features," he added.

The sergeant said he turned on the flashing red dome light of his car.

"The instant it started to flash, the object sped away over the reservoir and, without pausing over the horizon, disappeared," he said.

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Those UFO's Are Cavorting Again!

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GASTONIA GAZETTE
Gastonia, N. C.

OCT 11 1966

At Cherryville

Another U.F.O. Spotted In Sky

on 10/10

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HILLSBORO, O.
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Moving Lights in Sky May Be Air Force Night Drops

Would you believe—UFO's? (Unidentified Flying Objects).

It all depends. At least, the local citizenry was stirred Monday and Tuesday nights by some moving lights north of Hillsboro. Most of the activity was concentrated on Pea Ridge Road between SR 73 and SR 124.

A group at the Ronnie Lucas farm on the road saw some lights near the ground and heard whirling sounds Monday night. They were convinced that something unusual was going on.

Tuesday night, police cruisers reported they definitely spotted some helicopters after nightfall between Hillsboro and New Vienna. They have operational night lights something like police cruisers.

Contacted, officials at the Clinton County Air Force Base reported Tuesday night that some planes have been flying this area on night missions to make parachute drops. However, they did not have any reports of any copters in the area and that base doesn't fly them normally.

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OFFICIALS said this is designated as a "drop area" for cargo plane crews to practice night parachute drops of supplies. They said these were regular, routine training missions and go on frequently with some ships coming in from Lockbourne at Columbus to use the drop area. The sparse population makes it a logical location, they said. Additional lights, other than operational lights, are turned on during drops.

This may or may not be a partial answer to what's moving in the heavens these days. During the Monday night viewing, some saw a satellite pass over the area.

Monday night's "sighting" had the sightseers out in force Tuesday night. Pea Ridge Road was jammed with cars, all hoping to get a view of whatever stirs the skies these days.

Psychologically, things are ripe. A recent magazine article stirred up fresh interest in UFO's. The U.S. Air Force last week also authorized a large panel of university scientists to delve into the mystery. Meanwhile, the American public reads, listens, debates . . . and wonders.

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TRIBUNE
NEWARK, O.
P.M. - circ. 22,437
on 10/11
OCT. 14, 1966

UFO Sighted At New Lex

NEW LEXINGTON—An unidentified flying object seen near here this week has conversations buzzing.

Jay Fealty, who has a pilot's license, and his daughter, Kay, an airline stewardess, saw it through a window of the Fealty home Tuesday night, and they went outside for a good look.

"It was going too fast for a plane and there was no sound," Fealty said. "We saw several different colored lights going east. They were bright. They turned and came back south. They were going very fast.

We're not nuts! We saw it!" They saw no shape to the object.

Ten minutes later, the Fealtys saw the Echo satellite go over New Lexington from south to north.

James Hayden saw the lights at the same time in the direction of the New Lexington airport, just southeast of here.

"I saw yellowish, orange lights, maybe 1,000 to 1,500 feet high," he said.

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Itasca Record
Itasca, Ill.
Weekly Comb. Cir. 12,347
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OCT 26 1966

UFO's in area? If they are, nobody'll admit seeing them

It doesn't appear in the police blotter or any other official report, but four Hoffman Estates residents claim to have seen unidentified flying objects over Rohrssen recently.

Because so much adverse publicity has been given to others who have made similar claims, the residents understandably want to remain anonymous.

The sightings were first made approximately two weeks ago by a married couple. The man first spied the object and called his wife from their home to verify what he was seeing. He said the object appeared to pulsate and change in color from white to red to a brilliant green. It hovered at a relatively high altitude northeast of the village. After observing it for some twenty minutes, the couple said the object just "buried" away.

The couple described the object as having lights similar to portholes and said it was "somewhat cigar-shaped."

The second sighting was made by a teenage boy and girl as they were driving through Rohrssen. The girl told her mother she also viewed the object and they, too, watched it "just float" away.

Neither the boy nor his mother are able to give a description of the object's shape. They say the light "pulsated" but did not observe it change color. The second sighting was also in the skies northeast of the village.

The four persons involved have all observed diverse [illegible] flying in and out of [illegible] field but they agree that [illegible] not appear to have [illegible] distance from the [illegible] which it merged.

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Press
Newton, Ill.
Tues. & Fri. Circ. 4463
ab 10/11
OCT 13 1966

Woman Tells of Seeing Large Object With Blue Light

Those reports of sightings of unidentified flying objects, which have mystified people in many parts of the nation for years, came to Newton this week.

A woman who resides in the south part of the city told The Press-Mentor this morning that she saw a strange object in the sky Tuesday evening while on an errand. She asked, however, that her name not be disclosed unless other persons are found who saw the same object.

Her account of the sighting follows:

"Between 7 and 8 o'clock Tuesday evening, Oct. 11, I saw a large object, an elongated oval in shape, in the southern sky. It was flying low, and there was no sound in the sky.

"The object, which appeared to be much larger than a commercial airliner, moved rather slowly in a glowing blue light.

"It appeared to have approached from the east and was moving west."

Asked if she could estimate the height of the object when sighted, the observer said that "it must have been very low, because it dropped out of sight as it passed back of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Johnson on Martin street."

She added that the object appeared to be directly over Orchard Drive.

Other reliable persons who saw a similar object the same evening are asked to report to The P-M, and the newspaper will arrange for them to talk with the observer who reported today.

Meanwhile, Miss Marjorie Bergbower, who writes the "Musing With Marge" column in The P-M, reported that Miss Marsha Piercefield, a student at N.C.H.S., had seen an unidentified flying object earlier.

Miss Piercefield reported seeing a "flying light" in the vicinity of the Jasper County Fairgrounds at 2 o'clock one morning.

"After a while it rose up in the air and disappeared," according to the account of the high school columnist.

Two Newton young men recalled today that they saw three unidentified objects in the sky one cold night last winter while in the oil field northeast of Newton.

Bill McMorris said that he and Robert Reisner saw one silver colored object and two which were red, and that all resembled a saucer turned upside down upon another saucer.

"They were just hovering in the sky when we first saw them," recalled Mr. McMorris. "It was a bright night with snow on the ground and we had gone to the oil field to try to get a picture of a well.

"All of a sudden the objects took off straight up--and very fast--and within seconds they had disappeared."

News
Robinson, Ill.
Evening Circ. 4,194
ab 10/11
OCT 14 1966

Tells Of Seeing UFO At Newton

A Newton woman reported sighting an unidentified flying object Tuesday evening which she said was flying low from east to west over the city.

She said the object, which was oval in shape appeared to be much larger than a commercial airliner and made no sound.

The woman, who reported the sighting to the Press-Mentor at Newton, asked that her name not be disclosed.

Ironton, O. Tribune

on 10/12

OCT. 13, 1966

UFO Reported

An Ironton man told police Wednesday he saw a space ship headed toward Oak Hill around 7:30 p.m. He said it was covered with lights and that he could make out two sections to the craft.

GASTONIA GAZETTE
Gastonia, N. C.
on 10/13
OCT 14 1966

UFO: Spies From Behind Iron Curtain?

Claude Baucom Thursday night became a "believer" in UFOs—he says he saw one.

Baucom, of 222 Separk Circle, said he saw the object about 10 p.m. and it had red, blue and yellow flashing lights.

Asked what he thought the UFOs might be, Baucom said they were either from another planet or "spying" satellites from either Russia, Red China or Cuba.

He said the object was too far away to determine its size or shape, adding he wished he had had his binoculars.

EVENING POST
SALISBURY, N. C.
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on 10/15
OCT 19 1966

A UFO? Yes Sir, Says Ronald

Have the UFO's invaded Rowan County?

Ronald Peeler, 13-year-old eighth grader at Faith School, is convinced.

He went out for what was to be a pleasure ride on his horse, Trigger, but his pleasure turned to horror when something "came down through the trees" and chased him.

But whatever it was, Trigger was faster.

Ronald called The Post Saturday night to report his discovery, but was still too excited to talk. His father, Dwight Peeler of Faith Road, said his son was scared to go outside once he reached home.

Young Ronald said he was riding Trigger along St. Paul's Church Road shortly before 6:30 p.m. when he saw the object and heard its humming noise. He said it went from the sky into some trees, and when Trigger became excited the object looked as if it was chasing him.

The last he saw of it, however, was when he threw Trigger in fast speed and rounded a curve in the road.

Ronald said the object was as large as a two story house, was a big yellow circle with a smaller red circle and red dots inside.

There were no other reports of the incident.

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Portland Ore
OCT 17 1966

Scores See 'Saucers'

Coastal Residents Scared, Bewildered

By ROLLA J. CRICK
and
JAMES LONG
Journal Staff Writers

NEWPORT — A series of reported unidentified flying object sightings — the latest only three days ago — has caused reactions ranging from skepticism to fear in this coastal community.

The sightings have been reported by scores of persons in and around Newport and in neighboring Toledo, Siletz, and the tiny logging community of Camp 12.

Among the witnesses are at least two police officers, a construction worker, a plant chemist for Georgia-Pacific Corp. and a Newport life insurance agent.

ONE RESPECTED resident of a mountain community near Toledo was so shaken by incidents he allegedly witnessed near his home that he refused to venture outside at night unarmed.

"I didn't believe all this stuff about flying saucers until I was driving down the Siletz-Toledo Highway and saw this thing flying over the trees," said Doug Whitlow, 17, a senior at Portland's Madison High School.

"It was white — sort of glowing — and it flew up and down and sideways. We watched it for about an hour."

Another person in the car, Barbara Corliss, 17, confirmed Whitlow's story.

THE JOURNAL on Friday sent a three-man news team to the Newport area to check on the rash of UFO reports and interview witnesses. The team talked to 32 persons, including 25 who said they saw various objects, and obtained statements from 14 persons on tape.

According to the interviews, the alleged unexplained phenomena have ranged from two types of spaceship-like craft to doughnut-shaped pulsating lights that "crawl" along the walls of a house.

Five persons, apparently rational and sober, insisted they saw moving stumplike creatures in two locations east of Toledo.

Lincoln County sheriff's deputy Thomas W. Price discounted the "walking stumps" story, but added:

"I SAW a flying object myself. I don't know what it was, but it was orange and it was bigger than any star. I know it wasn't a meteor or a satellite because it was maneuvering. There was a noise like a giant spinning top. It made the hair stand up on the back of my neck."

Price said he saw the orange UFO in connection with an investigation of mysterious moving lights that for months plagued a family on Pioneer Mountain near Toledo.

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"IT LOOKED LIKE THIS," reports Barbara Corliss, 17, Siletz, and Doug Whitlow, Madison High senior at Portland, nods agreement. They and several companions, plus group of adults in Siletz and nearby Camp 12 along Oregon 229, are convinced they saw flying saucer-like object. (Journal Photos by Mel Junghans)

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IN OREGON CITY

Clackamas County Resident Sees UFO

WEST LINN — An unidentified flying object, similar to the ones reported seen on the Oregon coast, was sighted over the Rosemont area Tuesday.

The Larry Seides, who live on a hilltop, said the object first appeared at the height generally flown by airplanes. It did not keep to a regular course as the planes do, they said, but moved irregularly and was red and glowing. They watched its movement for some 10 minutes and as it lowered somewhat it broke into glowing fragments.

Capital Journal
Salem Ore
Oct 17 1966

UFO's Seen Near Coast

NEWPORT — A rash of unidentified flying object reports in this area during the past several months had both believers and skeptics today.

The reports, as recent as three days ago, included unexplained sightings ranging from spaceship-like craft to doughnut-shaped pulsating lights.

Most recent report was made by several residents at nearby Toledo who said they saw an object which looked like a string of Christmas tree lights spinning around.

Deputy Sheriff Thomas Price, one of 32 persons interviewed by an Oregon Journal news team, said he saw a flying object.

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Oregonian
Portland Ore
OCT 18 1966

UFO Reports Unconfirmed

Police officers and Armed Forces officials were unable Monday to confirm a single report of flying saucer sightings the past week on the Oregon Coast.

The sightings were reportedly made by several residents of the Newport [illegible] area — but the Lincoln County sheriff said his office had handled only one "unidentified flying object" report in the past year.

"We didn't take too much stock in that either," said Sheriff Jack Waterman. "People claimed they had seen a two-yard monster walking around up on the old Pioneer Mountain Road [illegible] but we chalked it up to someone's imagination."

Waterman "pooh poohed" reports that a UFO was sighted only last week in the area. "Nobody ever said a word to any of my staff," he said.

Sheriff's officers in Tillamook and Astoria also observed that they had had no UFO reports in "a long, long time."

Capt. Paul Prince, chief of Staff, 13th Coast Guard District, said that service had no reports of UFOs either in Oregon or Washington — and especially along the Newport area.

The Coast Guard's lack of reports were emphasized also by the Air Force whose 25th Air Division Headquarters in Tacoma reported that it had not heard of any flying saucers in some time, "certainly not with the last week or so."

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FEAR OF RIDICULE CURBS OFFICIAL REPORTS

Lincoln County Reports

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By ROLLA J. CRICK
and JAMES LONG
Journal Staff Writers

NEWPORT — City Policeman Robert Bearden firmly denies that he has ever seen a flying saucer.

"All I ever see is meteors," he said. "Not long ago I was down on the beach picking up beach balls and I saw this bluish meteor come from a northeasterly direction and head out over the ocean.

"I never saw anything move like that. But it was a meteor. A policeman down in San Diego saw something and said it wasn't a meteor and they fired him."

The scarcity of official reports on "flying saucers" or UFOs apparently stems in part from fear of ridicule.

JOURNAL newsmen investigating reports of repeated UFO sightings in the Lincoln County coastal area found only one official report of a UFO.

But they interviewed 25 persons who claimed to have seen UFOs recently — and undoubtedly could have interviewed several times that number in a given time.

Sheriff's Deputy Wayne Price, one of a dozen persons who told of seeing an "orangish" UFO just east of Toledo, admitted: "When you tell anybody you saw one of these things, you have to expect some kidding."

One woman who did not report her alleged UFO sighting for fear of being called a crackpot is a 38-year-old secretary in Toledo. She is a calm, apparently intelligent

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person who is described by friends as "not the type to make up stories."

WITH THE understanding that her name would not be used, she related the following incidents:

"Recently I was driving near South Yaquina Bay Road with my daughter and a friend when a ball of light appeared just above and to the rear of the car. It was as big as a house — I mean that literally. I thought it was going to hit the car and I was frightened. And I put on the brakes [illegible] on ahead of us, very fast. It was bluish-white, like a welder's arc."

Last Friday, she said, she was leaving a residence in Toledo when she and the others happened to look up and see what appeared to be a revolving string of Christmas tree lights which moved slowly and noiselessly across the sky.

A WITNESS — a paper mill worker — confirmed the odd sighting.

But perhaps the weirdest series of UFO reports was in connection with an earthbound phenomenon rather than alleged objects whizzing through the air.

No fewer than six persons testified to strange, pulsating "donuts" of light which reportedly "crawled" on the walls of the Douglas Reeves home on Old Pioneer Mountain Road near Toledo — eventually driving the family out.

Mrs. William Hayden, a Toledo beautician, said she "didn't believe in such things" until a friend persuaded her to visit the Reeves house and see the "little crawling lights for herself."

The "wall donuts" were confirmed by Mrs. Hayden, three members of the Reeves family, Georgia-Pacific plant chemist Max Taylor, and a neighbor of the Reeves, Delbert Mapes. Mrs. Hayden, Taylor, Doug Reeves and Deputy Price testified to the orangish UFO allegedly sighted in connection with an investigation of the smaller ground lights.

IN NEWPORT, Metropolitan Life Insurance Agent Jack Capri told of seeing an unusual object recently as he called on a customer. "It was pale blue and it went out of sight very suddenly," Capri recalled. "I've seen a lot of meteors, but not anything like that. It was moving up the coast to the Northeast."

With Capri was Tony Trusky, an employe of a local petroleum gas company.

Six young people ranging in age from 13 to 18 told of looking through binoculars at an oval-shaped object topped by a dome which blinked red, blue and green lights.

"It was like there was a searchlight inside and you'd see first a red light, and then

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MORE ABOUT 'SAUCERS'

Oregon's 'Lights' Intrigue Expert

By JAMES LONG
Journal Staff Writer

Duke University's parapsychology department requested a report Thursday on "crawling lights" and other disturbing phenomena which prompted a Toledo, Ore., family to sell their home recently.

Dr. J. B. Rhine, head of the department, said the Toledo case bears some similarities to a number of well-documented poltergeist cases in Europe.

POLTERGEIST—a German word for "noisy ghost"—is a term used by investigators in connection with peculiar occurrences such as stones mysteriously flying through the air, apparently of their own accord.

"Of course it would be difficult to say anything about the Toledo case without making a very careful study," said Rhine. "The end result might be that the lights could be explained as a prank, or something quite ordinary."

However, Rhine added that so-called "spirit lights" were more commonly reported in European cases than the American-style poltergeist phenomena of self-propelled crockery or furniture.

"But at the moment I can't think of a case involving spirit lights in this country in recent times," the investigator said.

SNAPSHOT of Kathy Reeves, 16, holding family cat, Sidney, Ill., in living room on Old Pioneer Road, Toledo, may have captured faint image of troublesome "crawling light." Photo experts could not readily determine whether "spot" (arrow) was defect in film or actually 'light'.

HE ALSO SAID [illegible] case for study of [illegible] phenomena, [illegible] with reports of UFO's.

"This type of thing [illegible] sensational reading, [illegible] but in our department [illegible] only for natural explanations for these occurrences," Rhine added. "The only question in our mind is how these things could be happening."

Mrs. Evelyn Reeves, whose family lives in the Toledo house on Old Pioneer Road, told reporters that the lights became so troublesome that sheets were tacked over the windows in a vain attempt to keep them out.

THE LIGHTS were described as pulsating, doughnut-shaped, and ranging in size from an inch to 30 inches across.

On one occasion, she said, the entire house was filled with a bright red glow.

Besides members of the Reeves family, the lights were seen by at least five other persons including a neighbor and some visitors.

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'Creeping Lights' Harassed Family

By ROLLA J. CRICK
Journal Staff Writer

TOLEDO — Could it . . . or they . . . belong to the poltergeist family?

We refer to those creeping donut-shaped lights which "entertained" Mrs. Evelyn Reeves and her children and visitors atop Pioneer Mountain.

Poltergeists, also known as "noisy ghosts," normally make their presence known by mischievous knockings and by tossing objects around rooms, according to those who believe in them. The Reeves mystery guests were not the throwing kind.

They thumped on the roof occasionally, according to testimony of the Reeves and others, but no lamps flew through the air nor did pictures jump off walls or crockery dance on tables.

STRANGE LIGHTS and noises almost every night kept occupants upset in this house on Pioneer Mountain near Toledo.

EVELYN REEVES holds sugar bowl top to show size of some lights she saw.

IF POLTERGEISTS they were, at the Reeves household, they were placid poltergeists to say the least.

Mrs. Reeves doesn't know what the lights were . . . or reflected . . . or are, but she's happy they didn't follow her when she and her family moved from Pioneer Mountain to Newport. Her daughter, however, who associated the creeping lights with "a boiling, smoky, dome-shaped glow I think was a spaceship," kind of misses all the activity.

And that brings us full circle back to poltergeists, but maybe an extra-terrestrial variety.

Poltergeist proponents pontificate periodically that there always seems to be a teen-aged present when poltergeists play. Kathy Reeves, now 16, was 15 when the lights first appeared and that's right in the middle of the teens.

THE USUAL poltergeist pattern also would explain why the present owner of the house on Pioneer Mountain may have seen the lights, as he testified, while the Reeves lived there, but has not seen them since.

None of this should be construed as building a case for a poltergeist explanation for the creeping lights. It is merely one of the "answers" that have been proposed for what the Reeves family saw and there are as many disbelievers in poltergeists as there are in flying saucers.

It may have no connection, but residents of the Toledo area told Journal investigators about two legends:

—Pioneer Mountain was a place taboo to the Indians and the early white settlers found it to be a safe place to live, thus its name.

—The reason the place was taboo was because of "a whistler" that resided there, making a whistling noise on occasion.

THE WITNESSES interviewed by The Journal who professed to have seen unidentified flying objects over Pioneer Mountain also told of hearing a whirring high-pitch sound. A whistling noise?

The Journal's investigative team went to the Siletz-Toledo-Newport "Saucer Corridor" to collect reports of persons who claimed to have seen unidentified flying objects. Such reports were taken from 25 persons.

The "creeping" lights that appeared in the Reeves household were an unexpected development, but they were seen by each member of the Reeves family and by several visitors to the home. This opened a new realm of investigation, but one with more difficulties than the UFO probe.

SCIENTISTS who give some credibility to flying saucers by saying "they do not disbelieve their existence," are more cautious when it comes to talking about "ghostly" happenings.

A Portland physician with an interest in such matters said of the Reeves "creepers" that they fit many of the poltergeist criteria. "They are an interesting observation that must be correlated with other facts," he said.

He also said there appears to be no doubt that the Reeves "saw what they saw, but did they see fact or hallucination?" By explanation, he said it is known that when a prestige figure, such as the father, in a household says he sees something, others in the family will think they too see it and "these hallucinations reinforce his hallucinations."

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Space Visitors On Pioneer

(Also see story Page 1)

TOLEDO — The Evelyn Reeves family no longer lives on Pioneer Mountain.

Behind the family's decision to move is a strange — to some people incredible — story.

It involves strange lights and noises . . . and reports of a "spaceship" that landed. It is a continuing story of events that started last March 20 when Deputy Sheriff Thomas Wayne Price was roused from a sound sleep.

On the other end of the telephone was a Georgia - Pacific Corp. chemist named Max W. Taylor.

Taylor, a friend of the Reeves family, had agreed to camp on their front lawn that night so that he might help find an explanation for an unusual phenomenon which reportedly had plagued the house for months.

According to the Reeves, small doughnut - shaped lights had been "crawling" across walls almost nightly both inside and outside the house.

Also there were noises.

One type of noise was described as a high whine, like a highspeed saw — or, as Price would later put it, like a "giant, spinning top."

Price listened sleepily, but to Taylor's story for a moment, then glanced at the clock with annoyance. But he was a friend of both families and he lived nearby, so he decided he could not turn down their request to come out.

According to Taylor, 40 there were two pulsating spots of bluish light on the Reeves house at that moment.

One spot, said Taylor, was on the living room end of the house. The other spot was at the opposite end — almost as if a beam of light had penetrated the house and was showing at each extreme.

Only there was no apparent source for the light and no beam in between.

Price arrived on the scene at 1:20 a.m. to find half a dozen perturbed witnesses in the Reeves' yard.

"I just happened to look up," said the deputy, "and I saw this orange object. I couldn't identify it either. It wasn't a plane or a meteor or anything like that. It was maneuvering. We didn't know what it was."

After some 90 seconds, Price reported, there was an eerie, high - pitched whine "like a giant spinning top" and the object disappeared.

When the deputy made his official report, he listed the object as a UFO — an unidentified flying object.

"I never believed in UFOs — but I can only report what I saw and heard. It made the hair on the back of my neck stand up."

Price said he saw an orange ball of flame "larger than any star" moving from northeast to southeast. It made a sweeping turn to the southwest and took about a minute to disappear near the horizon.

The object's color was unlike any airplane the deputy had seen at night. Its size and color were unlike the satellites that occasionally can be seen as they speed around the earth. It did not move with the usual speed of meteors and it changed directions in flight unlike a slow - moving fireball, the deputy said.

"It was Kathy (Kathleen) who first started talking about the little lights," said Mrs. Evelyn Reeves, an attractive blonde who appears hesitant to discuss the matter.

"Of course, we didn't pay much attention to her . . . at first."

But after the family had to tack up sheets in an effort to keep out the lights and get some sleep, they listened to the 16-year-old girl's story.

She and a girl friend were walking up Pioneer Road when they saw something which they believed to be a neighbor's field on fire, Kathy related. There was a ruddy glow in the distance behind the trees.

"It was dome - shaped, and it looked like it was burning," Kathy said.

"It was like smoke boiling all around, making a dome shape as high as a room." There was no fire in the field.

The sight perplexed the girls but they started on home and then they saw what appeared to be a flashlight with a cover over the end so there was no beam.

"I thought it was somebody playing a trick, so I threw a rock at the light," Kathy said. "A lot of big ones western all around it and we ran home."

Thereafter, according to Kathy and Mrs. Reeves, the home was increasingly visited by pulsating "wall donuts" and strange noises including the high - pitched whine reportedly heard by Deputy Price.

At one time, a member of the family went for a gun after he thought he "saw something" outside a living room window. When he pointed the gun, the "thing" appeared to back away . . . and then the inside of the house suddenly sparkled with a multitude of the crawling lights, Mrs. Reeves said.

"One morning about 2, I woke up and my whole bedroom was a rosy glow so bright you could read a newspaper by it," Mrs. Reeves said.

"I was scared to make a noise. . . I happened to turn toward the door leading into the living room and I saw this red thing — like a cloud — just hanging there. It was watermelon - colored and you could see through it. It was just a kind of a hazy mass there for a couple of seconds and then it disappeared. Like that!"

The lights were seen by other visitors to the Reeves house including Delbert Mapes, the present owner and occupant. He was a neighbor when the incidents began. He bought the place from Mrs. Reeves.

"I couldn't say what they were, but they were there," Mapes told interviewers. Funny thing, we haven't seen any of the lights since they moved out."

He pointed at the green yard and said he would never forget when he and others saw round, luminous objects whizzing through the night.

The Reeves family didn't believe Kathy when she told them about the lights — not until the other members also saw them. Neither did they believe her when she told them about "the three little stumps that walked across the pasture."

But stumps aside, a large number of persons in Newport's "UFO Corridor" swear they have witnessed things ranging from glowing, football - like objects to conical spaceships and classic "flying saucers."

One woman, a secretary, has two witnesses when her car reportedly had a near miss with a house-sized glowing sphere. That was last Friday night.

Tomorrow: Twenty see UFO.

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Colored, White, Odd-Shaped

By ROLLA J. CRICK
and JAMES LONG
Journal Staff Writers

NEWPORT — Did 25 persons here actually see flying saucers?

That question is open to examination.

A Journal News team which was sent to the Lincoln County area to investigate a reported rash of saucer sightings talked to 25 persons who said they saw something.

HERE IS a summary of the reported phenomena:

—Glowing whitish spheres ranging from the size of a quarter to the size of a house, either alleged seen whizzing at tremendous speed, slowly, [illegible] the walls of a house.

—Lights resembling very bright planets which moved noiselessly at great speed and height, but on an erratic course rather than a straight line.

—Football-shaped objects of indeterminate size, glowing orange and bracketed by rapidly whirling colored lights.

—Conical-shaped lights of various color, allegedly whirling up and down mountains with breath-taking speed and changes of direction.

—An oval-shaped whitish object capped with a dome which showed flashing spots of red, green and blue light.

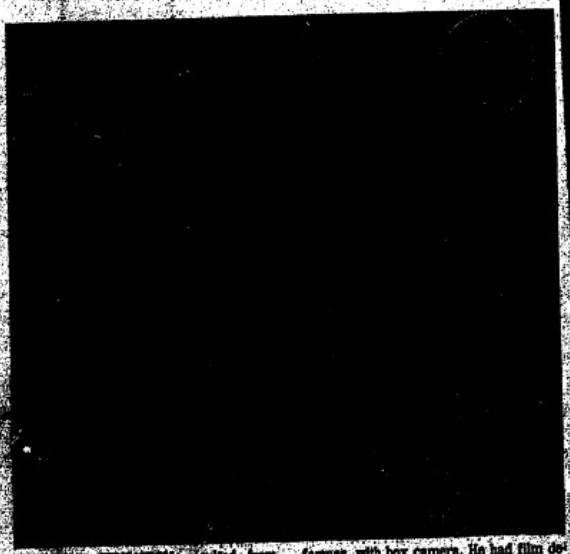
ONLY THREE of those interviewed declared unequivocally that they had seen a spaceship.

The others were reluctant to draw any conclusions whatever, and two refused to be quoted by name.

"I am only saying that I saw a UFO," stated Max Taylor, a Georgia-Pacific Co. plant chemist at Toledo. "UFO means unidentified flying object, and that's exactly what I saw — a flying object which was unidentified."

However, Taylor was so impressed by what he saw that he began his own investigation into local happenings and came up with two odd finds:

In the Pioneer Mountain area which had been the scene of an unusual amount of UFO activity, residents had discovered a large quantity of metal shavings which he analysed as aluminum with trace of magnesium.



NATIONAL SENSATION resulted from publication of this UFO picture in 1950. It was taken by Paul Trent, farmer, with box camera. He had film developed at drug store, McMinnville.

RADAR EXPERTS told him that military planes drop items of this type to "fool" radar into a false sighting. But he wondered if the metal fragments had any connection with the alleged UFO sightings.

A second, puzzling discovery was made on May 23, 1966, by a logger named Ed Keenon, of Lincoln City. He notified the Oregon State Police of finding a bowling pin-shaped chunk of metal on a creek bank 16 miles east of Kernville.

The metal, which was retrieved by a U.S. Army bomb disposal team from Vancouver Barracks, was 1.9 pounds of pure sodium.

Nobody could figure out where the metal came from, but Taylor noted that such a substance "couldn't have been there very long" because sodium virtually explodes into flame when water hits it.

TAYLOR'S search for a "natural" explanation for Newport-area saucer sightings includes the above considerations as well as the more traditional ones.

According to the U.S. Air Force' Project Blue Book, 10,147 sightings officially were reported during the years 1947-1965. (This number, judging from the Jour-

Moving Lights Reported

BLUISH UFO was seen by Jack Capri, Newport life insurance agent.

nal team's experience in Lincoln County, would be a tiny fraction of the actual number of sightings.)

Of these, 9,501 were explained by the Air Force and 646 were classed as "unidentified."

From 1952 to 1965, a total of 7,687 sightings were categorized as follows:

—2,412 meteors, stars or planets.

—1,377 aircraft.

1,333 unclassified because of insufficient data.

—1,042 hoaxes, hallucinations or mirages.

—701 balloons.

—569 satellites.

—253 unidentified.

Another problem for authorities is the growing junkpile in space.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration estimates there are 1,119 man-made objects, more or less, in orbit around the earth.

However, a certain percentage of flying saucer reports are made by persons who presumably would be difficult to deceive.

In the 1950s, a United Air Lines transport plane flight officer, Ralph Stevens, told how he and other members of a crew spotted saucer-shaped objects on a flight from Boise to Portland.

ROBERT BENNETT, a Federal Aviation Agency air traffic control officer, reported seeing several objects flashing red, blue and green near Atlanta last July.

Another UFO was reported by Gov. Haydon Burns of Florida, who said he saw it from an airliner last April.

The Air Force in 1957 reported that 87 per cent of its UFO reports were from untrained civilians, but also admitted that 11 per cent came from its own pilots. Another 18 per cent came from other military personnel, with 14 per cent coming from civilian pilots, air defense spotters, radar men, scientists and similarly qualified observers."

In Baker in 1964, no fewer than a half-dozens persons including city policemen and a state trooper watched a cone-shaped UFO for more than an hour.

"I was working the graveyard shift when the city dispatcher called me and said one of his men had jumped something on the other end of town," related State Patrolman William Howe.

"HE SAID the thing supposedly was flying in my direction, and asked me to look and see if I could spot anything. I went outside and saw this thing just clearing the hilltop. It was kind of orangy red on top and the center was green. I put my field glasses on it and I could see some kind of lattice work, like a radio tower, in the middle part. It definitely was some kind of vehicle."

Howe said he telephoned the duty desk at a nearby Air Force radar base and was informed that base personnel were watching the UFO both visually and on radar.

Later, he said, he phoned the base again only to have an officer ask him, "What UFO?"

However, Howe had the support of five witnesses who overheard both conversations.

THE BAKER case apparently was similar to one which took place last summer involving the Oklahoma State Patrol and Tinker Air Force Base.

An official teletype message by the Oklahoma troopers said "three Shawnee officers have four of the objects in sight at this time," and went on to give a description of the chase. It also noted that Tinker Air Force Base had sighted one to four objects on its radar screens and placed them at 22,000 feet.

Later, a base spokesman denied that radar contact had been made — after which the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety issued a lengthy statement which, in effect, called the Air Force a liar.

Amidst the squabble, a growing number of responsible people have been calling for both sides to engage in calm investigation instead of wild invective.

"YOU CAN'T call all the people liars all the time," decided Dr. J. Allen Hynek, Northwestern University astrophysicist and the Air Force's own chief UFO consultant.

Rep. L. Mendel Rivers, D-S.C., chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, said recently as a special hearing on UFOs:

"We can't just write off all these reports. There are too many responsible people involved."

However UFO sightings continue to draw the skepticism of an undoubted majority of scientists.

A Colorado investigator believes UFOs may be explained by swarms of insects which pick up a static electrical charge and begin to glow.

OTHERS POINT to ball lightning, recombining ions and electrons which form a glowing plasma, as well as misinterpretation of ordinary objects such as meteors, planets, stars, satellites, space junk, blowing pieces of paper, deflected search light beams, atmospheric inversion layers and whatnot.

Also clouding any investigation is the contribution of crackpots who claim to communicate with space creatures, and who write lengthy essays describing life among the saucers. (One pamphlet pressed into a reporter's hand gave details on how Martians avoid cluttering their spacecraft with communications gear. Martians, said the pamphlet, use telepathy.)

However, the few Lincoln County residents who were convinced they had seen visitors from another planet are not all alone in their views.

Dr. James McDonald, senior physicist at the University of Arizona's Institute of Atmospheric Physics, boggled his colleagues the other day when he announced he had reached a similar view on UFOs.

UFO Over Wanaque Stirs Curiosity and Hard Feelings

By MORT YOUNG
World Journal Tribune Staff

WANAQUE, N. J., Oct. 24—The mystery of Wanaque Reservoir, which began with a series of flying saucer sightings, today wrapped itself in a dagger-filled cloak of unidentified government agents, hard feelings and curiosity.

Last January, an unidentified flying object drilled a nine-foot wide hole in the reservoir's ice as policemen watched. In February and March, UFOs fluttered above the 6.5-mile long reservoir.

Last Monday, Harry T. Wolfe, Wanaque borough mayor, and 400 residents watched an "oversize star" whiz by. And two weeks ago Sergeant Ben Thompson of the reservoir police reported he was temporarily blinded by a UFO that approached within 150 feet of him.

Since then, Thompson has received 150 telephone calls at headquarters. Some of the callers asked him what he was drinking. People on the street ask him how much he is drinking.

But one caller from Washington spent an hour closely questioning the policeman. He was a government official whom Thompson refers to as "Mr. Johnson."

It wasn't Lyndon.

The caller, Thompson said, left his phone number and the name of the agency for which he works. Now Thompson can't find the slip of paper he jotted it down on.

Nobody knows who "Mr. Johnson" is. According to Air Force officers in the Pentagon:

"No independent agency was asked to look into the Wanaque UFOs and, as far as we can check it out, no agency has done so on its own."

Neither has Project Blue Book, the Air Force organization in Dayton, Ohio, that investigates UFOs, probed the Wanaque saucers. The closest air bases—Stewart and Maguire—say they didn't conduct investigations, either.

And Thompson himself said that no Air Force officer questioned him.

SGT. BEN THOMPSON AND CHIEF JOHN CASAZZA
Say they've seen UFO's over Wanaque, N. J.

Chief John Casazza of the reservoir police has also seen UFOs over Wanaque, as have several of the officers under him.

"We don't know what they are," he said, "But after they came over in February, we replaced all the old floodlights with mercury vapor lamps. They really lit up the reservoir. The UFOs went away. We figured they'd never come back.

"What gets me," Chief Casazza said, "are these people who call up and tell us we're a bunch of drunks. What the hell do they think we are, idiots? We don't know what we've seen, but we sure know we saw something."

Chief Casazza has been on the force 25 years.

Besides the UFOs, what puzzles him is the call Thompson got from "Mr. Johnson" in Washington.

The sergeant's telephone number is unlisted and Chief Casazza gave orders that Thompson's number was not to be given out to anyone. How did "Mr. Johnson" get the officer's home telephone number?

CURIOSITY SEEKERS

Despite the ridicule Thompson has been subjected to, what happened to him on the night of Oct. 11 has brought New Jerseyans by the hundreds out to the reservoir at night. Their parked cars have created traffic hazards on the narrow road along the 93,400 acre reservoir.

Pompton Lakes police radioed the Wanaque police that a bright object had just slammed over the town, heading toward the reservoir. Thompson, on duty in a white police jeep, was ordered to West Brook Road overlooking the water. It was about 10 p.m.

The policeman drove there and parked.

"I got out and walked to the edge of the road," he recalled. "A brilliant white light was over the reservoir. It darted from one hill to the other—like that. Fast. In a split-second, it traveled a half-mile.

"As it passed above the trees, all the branches seemed to be sucked up toward it. By this time, I'd put on my red roof light. I only saw the thing for two or three minutes, but when I turned around to get back at the car, I was 100 per cent blind."

Thompson said he could make out a shape behind the dazzling white light. The shape was circular, with a protrusion resembling half a football sticking out beneath it.

Thompson has been on the force six years.

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Brilliant UFO Is Sighted Here

on 10/23

A brilliant object that appeared in the sky southeast of Anderson at 11:30 p. m., Sunday night and which created the illusion of grooving in on Broadway Lake, may have been one of those which appeared earlier in the night in the Goldsboro, N. C., area and which are now the object of an Air Force investigation.

The object seen over the Anderson area during a break in the rain clouds was described as resembling a "ball of fire trailing sparks."

MOST OBJECTS in this category are classified as meteorites and promptly forgotten about. But in recent weeks something has happened that caused a directive to be issued by the Pentagon ordering the Air Force to investigate "flying saucer" reports, not just brush them off. This probably came about as the result of a disclosure that the Russians are sending up all sorts of probes in connection with a project seeking control of the weather.

A spokesman at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base said yesterday a report on the sightings Sunday night would be released after the investigation is completed.

SEVERAL Goldsboro citizens, policemen and officers and men on duty at the big air base just outside the North Carolina cities said they saw the flying objects. Only one object was reported over the Anderson area. It may have been a stray.

The objects seen in vicinity of Goldsboro could not have been meteorites, for they were visible at intervals over a period of half an hour, between 6:30 and 7:00 p. m. Meteorites are visible for only a few seconds as they arch out of the sky, set on fire by friction of coming in contact with the earth's atmosphere.

GENERALLY the descriptions of the things sighted Sunday night went this way:

The objects had green or red lights, flashing off and on. The objects bobbled up and down and moved sideways at times in both directions. They moved generally in the northerly direction. No more than one was seen at a time. One man reported seeing a greenish-white streak flashing across the sky, also going in a northerly direction.

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UFO Reports Made In Marquette

An investigation was being made today of reports of unidentified flying objects (UFOs), received early this morning by city and state police.

Officers said a number of phone calls were received, primarily from students at Northern Michigan University, stating there were UFOs over Lake Superior, in the vicinity of Presque Isle Park.

K. I. Sawyer Air Force Base officials were notified, but no confirmation of the UFOs was received from the base.

The UFOs were described as having strange lights, which changed colors frequently.

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UFO SPOTTED

[illegible] flying [illegible] Santa Paula [illegible] Ventura and Santa Paula at 8:18 a.m. yesterday.

He said it was "cone-shaped," with clouds of black smoke issuing around it. (More on UFO's, Page C-10).

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UFOs in The Sky Over P.G.

"Unidentified flying objects" were all over the Monterey Peninsula early today and yesterday, some people say.

They varied from "a hotdog-shaped object over the water near Pacific Grove," to "pulsating lights and noises like jet engines," to "three clusters of lights over the golf course at Pebble Beach."

The bluish-purple hotdog shape, which [illegible] away [illegible] reported by phone to Pacific Grove Police Chief Herschel Jones by Miss Joanne Gill of 1630A Kimball Ave., Seaside, at 6:47 a.m.

Several persons told of seeing pulsating lights "for about 30 minutes. Then all of a sudden they vanished."

One woman attributed the flurry of sighting to balloons which were released yesterday from the fiesta at Carmel Mission.

Gail Loftsgard of The Herald's circulation department told of being on the beach at Pacific Grove early Sunday morning, and of seeing "a big fuzzy light over the horizon which suddenly shot up into the sky. I asked my friend if he had seen it, and he described exactly the same thing."

Up to noon today, nobody had reported being taken on a flying saucer trip.

But Pacific Grove residents agreed that the fog had been so thick in the early morning hours that anything could have happened.

BLOOMFIELD SIGHTING—Unidentified flying object spins and turns as it soars above Clark's Pond with Gary Schwend, left, and Bobbie Krein, photo right, take pictures.

An Object, Flying, Unidentified

So It Could Be a UFO, Boy Photographers Conclude

By GUNTER DAVID

A flying saucer in Bloomfield?

Well, something like it, according to two 12-year-old boys, who've got six pictures to back up their claim.

They are Gary Schwend, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Schwend of 318 Broughton Ave., and his pal, Bobbie Krein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Krein, of 14 Fairview St., both in Bloomfield. The scene of their reported discovery is Clark's Pond in the rear of Gary's home.

An Air Force spokesman at McGuire Air Force Base said several unidentified flying object reports have been received from various parts of New Jersey in recent months. He declined to elaborate.

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"THE BOYS' equipment consisted of a simple Brownie box camera owned by Gary, and No. 620 film contributed by Bobbie. The pictures were shot on a clear afternoon from an estimated distance of 150 feet.

The youngsters had kept their adventures secret from their families until the photographs in Bloomfield the Dragnews in Bloomfield the other day, when they created a sensation in both homes.

The day of the reported discovery was Oct. 19, about 4 p.m. "We were walking around at the pond, taking pictures of ducks and then we went over to the other side of the pond to take pictures of muskrat," Gary related.

They walked around the pond, which is about 300 feet wide and 130 feet below street level. En route they climbed up trees looking for squirrels, in the manner of 12-year-olds on a pleasant day.

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"I WAS LOOKING up into a tree, but instead I saw this flying thing coming over from the direction of Broughton Avenue," said Bobbie.

"It kept going up, up, and went a ways and then it vanished towards Broad Street and Glen Ridge." The boys did not see the object fall to the ground, but instead, got the impression that it must have been self-propelled to stay afloat long enough to permit the taking of six pictures on a single camera that had to be turned after each shot.

The boys agreed that the flying object had made no flying sound and had no flashing lights, except for a golden hue which could have been a reflection of the sun.

Because of the distance, they said, it was hard to establish the size of the object, but from where they stood it appeared about 2 to 3 feet wide. In order to appear that size from 150 feet away, the object must be considerably larger in reality, the boys maintain.

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"IT KEPT spinning and turning around," said Bobbie. "The whole thing took only a few minutes. But we've heard so many stories about unidentified flying objects that we just kept snapping away."

Was it an object from outer space?

The spokesman at McGuire said the Air Force will request a full report on the matter, so that the information may be forwarded to the Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, where all UFO reports are studied.

As for the boys, Gary, for one, firmly believes it came from outer space, even though his father doesn't relish the thought.

"It's kind of spooky," said George Schwend, "to think of flying saucers right here in Bloomfield. But then, why not?"

CINCINNATI ENQUIRER
CINCINNATI, O.
A.M. - circ.193,175
Sun. - circ.292,446
on 10/20
OCT. 21, 1966
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'Thing' A Meteorite?

Ludlow Woman Not Sure

"A flaming thing," believed to be a meteorite, set a peaceful Ludlow, Ky., neighborhood buzzing after it plunked into a backyard there early Thursday.

Dr. Ralph Yours, curator of the Cincinnati Museum of aNtural History, is scheduled to study the object today.

Mrs. S. E. Ford, 207 Highway Ave., said she awoke during a restless night and looked out the window about 3 a. m. "I saw this thing, big as a bucket, burning like a clear light flashing by."

The fireball plunged noiselessly into the backyard of her neighbor, Mrs. Dorothy Stephens, 149 Highway Ave. It lay there and burned she said.

Mr. Ford restrained his wife from rushing out to the yard, but in the daylight she found the three-inch dark object to be spongy to the touch. In a matter of minutes it turned hard, however, she said.

Mrs. Stephens said she put the "thing" in the house and went to work.

Meteors are particles from space that fall into the atmosphere. They are observable directly only when resistance of the atmosphere to the falling motion causes an incandescence.

THE SUN-MESSENGER
CLEVELAND HTS., O.
W - circ. 21,578
on 10/20
OCT. 27, 1965

UFO OVER DELHI
U-W4-W4-TX

Agnes Salsman, 5539 Rapid Run pike, told Delhi Township Police that an unidentified flying object hovered over her home early last Thursday. She gave a minute description of the ship and its winking lights and reported that calls to other agencies disclosed no other report.

Syracuse, N. Y.
Herald-Journal
OCT 25 1966

UFO follows woman

About 10/20 and following

Then it hovers over her B'ville home

By KENN PETERS

Air Force officials at the Boston Air Defense Sector began checking today a new UFO sighting.

The latest sighting reported by a Baldwinsville woman who said she and her car is followed every night by the UFO.

"It's brilliant with blinking lights and it hovers above my house for about 45 minutes," she said.

Asking to remain unidentified, the woman said she is a resident of Syracuse Street in Baldwinsville and is employed as a nurses aide at Veterans Administration Hospital.

She said the "thing" picks up her station wagon each night about 12:30 a.m. when she gets to Route 690.

"It is huge — brilliant and star like and it comes out of the sky when I get to Route 690 at Hiawatha Boulevard," she said.

The lights are yellow on top with a big one on the bottom which is bluish green," she said. "I am very shaky driving home because when I speed up it does too, and if I slow down it does the same thing."

The woman said she notified the Baldwinsville Police Department but they told her there was nothing they could do about it.

The woman noted that when she arrives home, the object hovers above her house, a bit higher than tree top level and "it stays there for about 45 minutes before it disappears."

An information officer at the Boston Air Defense Sector at Hancock Field said today "there is usually a reasonable explanation for this type of thing when somebody sees the same object several days in a row."

But the Air Force is baffled for the time being over this one and they began checking it out today hoping to come up with an answer soon.

The woman said she was unsure about the shape or size of the object because "its so brilliant it is difficult to see how big it is."

"I haven't gotten much sleep lately thinking about it and I wish somebody could tell me what it is," she said.

The Air Force information officer said "this is by no means an explanation of what the object is but many times an aircraft flying at night will give an optical illusion because of the various types of lights they have."

"Many times," he said, "the lights on a plane appear to be standing still, and when the plane turns, the lights shine in a new spot, and people become alarmed because they don't know it's a plane."

Syracuse, N. Y.
Herald-Journal
OCT 21 1966

cuse Chamber of Commerce. The pr[illegible]am ends tomorrow.

'SAUCER' FLIES OVER HORIZON

A family of five in Phoenix today reported having watched a gold-tinted unidentified flying object dance in the sky for about an hour last night.

A woman in Cleveland, N.Y., also reported having watched the large object at the same time, around 10 p.m.

However, Phoenix police today said they received no telephone inquiries on the object, which they missed seeing.

State police at Cleveland also said they had no reports on the alleged UFO.

A woman who reported seeing the object said it flew in a northeasterly direction and then went over the horizon.

MICHIGAN
Tecumseh Herald
(3,460 W)
on 10/20
OCT 27 1966

Unknown Flying Object Is No Silent Parachute

"There were no wings, no wheels and no noise," said Mrs. John Colson, 1017 River Acres Dr., as she told about the unidentified flying object she and her aunt, Mrs. Walter Dailey, 613 W. Kilbuck St., saw Oct. 20.

Mrs. Dailey had just left her car about to enter the home of her niece when she spied the shiny ball in the sky coming from the west.

She thought at first it was a parachute, but there was "no man below it."

Calling Mrs. Colson, the women watched as the [illegible] white ball made an arch [illegible] to each other as the UFO appeared more in a cigar shape.

"It was something different, something I've never seen before. I have seen weather balloons so I know it wasn't that or a helicopter or a jet. It was close enough so that we got a good look.

"It first appeared like a chrome wheel or a hub cap coming at me," continued Mrs. Colson.

The object came from the west over the Milton Meyer residence and continued east, leaving the astonished women still wondering what it was they had seen — in broad daylight, too.

MICHIGAN
South Haven Daily Tribune
(D)
on 10/20
OCT 21 1966

Residents Report Mystery Objects

Two reports of "bright, large unidentified flying objects," sighted near Lacota Township, were investigated late Thursday night by troopers from the South Haven state police post.

Police said the reports, which were received five minutes apart, came from two different women who wished to remain anonymous. The first came at 11 p.m.

Troopers said both calls stated the objects were about 50 feet above the ground near 61st St. and Baseline Road.

A check in the general area failed to confirm the reports, police said.

Doings
Hinsdale, Ill.
Weekly Comb. Circ. 9,000

OCT 27 1966
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Hinsdale Nurse No Skeptic, Believes in UFO

Mrs. Patrick Moriarity, 5533, Bruner st., near Hinsdale, said she observed an unidentified flying object during a 10-minute period Sunday and now is a firm believer in their existence.

A nurse at LaGrange Community Memorial hospital, Mrs. Moriarity came off duty at 6 a. m. Friday, Oct. 21. She first sighted what she thought was an airplane as she drove in Wolf road. As she proceeded west on 55th street, the lighted object was traveling parallel to the street.

There was enough light to distinguish a top-shaped object that tapered to the bottom. Mrs. Moriarity reported it was dark in color with red and green flickering lights. She heard no noise.

As the object hovered over Hinsdale High School Central, Mrs. Moriarity debated with herself, "Should I get out of the car to take a better look? No, I'd better hurry home."

Her husband was a bit skeptical of her report and binoculars revealed an empty sky. But he called Hinsdale police just to put it on the record in case there were other viewers.

"I believe in unidentified flying objects now," said Mrs. Moriarity.

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Stockton Rooks Co. Record
OCT 27 1966 by 10/20

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UFO'S—OR WHAT ARE WE SEEING?

For the past week many local people have been seeing unidentified Flying Objects of some sort. And it definitely is not in their imagination. As a rule, they are rather dim, but the red and green flashing lights can be seen if one looks closely. Quite a number of people have been peering at them through binoculars and can spot them when they are not visible to the naked eye, and when binoculars are not necessary to spot them, they can be more plainly seen with their use. Sometimes five or six can be seen in a group. Some of the UFO, people have been seeing them for several months, but haven't cared to talk about it.

Thursday evening, however, there was one close enough to earth to be plainly seen by many people, and the folks living in the Hillcrest Addition and that area had an especially good view of it. One of the citizens was alerted by a phone call from Osborne that one appeared to be headed this way. This object seemed to remain stationary for quite a while flashing its red, green and blue lights, which appeared to be beneath it. Then it took off suddenly and moved on west with considerable speed. But this isn't all. Near to the above mentioned UFO, there was what the watchers took to be a star, but when the red and green lighted object moved on, the "star" also took off and traveled north at a rapid rate. That is the report of several reliable witnesses. This phenomenon occurred somewhere between 7 and 8 o'clock, and that seems about the best time for UFO watching.

DENTISTRY AT ROGAN...

Press-Democrat
Santa Rosa Calif
OCT 21 1966 A 10/21

Women See Strange Lights In the Sky

Two women reported seeing five or six objects in the sky near their home at 3... Wright st. at 3 a.m. this morning.

Mrs. Pearl Taylor, 51, said the strange looking lights were like nothing she had ever seen before and looked like a full moon.

She explained that she had gone out of doors to get a breath of air and looked up at the heavens "when suddenly," she thought it was raining.

When she saw the strange lights, dancing around in the sky she called her mother, Mrs. Minta Gregory, 61 who also came to the kitchen window and saw the lights.

Mrs. Gregory said there were a number of them which seemed farther away than the others and appeared darker.

Mrs. Taylor said she watched the objects for some time before calling her mother to confirm what she thought she saw.

The two women watched the lights for 15 minutes.

Mrs. Taylor said "We knew other people probably would see them and we weren't particularly bothered by them. After a time we just laughed about it and went back to bed."

GASTONIA GAZETTE
Gastonia, N. C.
OCT 22 1966
On 10/20

'Upside-Down Cereal Bowl' Scares Woman

Mrs. Bob Lorentz now feels "a little silly." She'd always questioned UFO sightings — until Thursday night, that is.

The resident of Gardner Park was returning from a trip to the Gastonia post office about 9:15 p.m. when she noticed an object in the sky.

"I was at the top of a hill on Highway 29 and Cloib Drive," she said, "when the lights on the object caught my eye."

She stopped her car and got out to observe the object. She reports it looked like a "cereal bowl turned upside down" and had five or six lights on it which blinked. The lights were red and white.

The object didn't seem to be moving. "It was hovering." When it moved, it made a figure-eight-type pattern.

"It was not an airplane and had too many lights for a helicopter," Mrs. Lorentz said. "I just don't know what it was. Did anyone else spot it?"

Courier
Grants Pass Ore
Oct. 24 1966
On 10/23

Local Pair Sees UFO Near City

A Grants Pass woman today reported the sighting of an "unidentified flying object" over the area Sunday night and asked for comment from any other who may have seen the same thing.

The woman, who did not identify herself, said she and her husband, approaching the city on the freeway at about 8:05 p.m., saw a bright, squat fennel-shaped object "much, much bigger than a star or a satellite" moving with "terrific rapidity" across the sky.

She said she and her husband heard no sound, but saw a flashing red light on the object's side.

"It definitely was not a falling star or a plane," she added. Its movement was generally eastward.

GOLDSBORO NEWS ARGUS
Goldsboro, N. C.
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UFOs Reported By Several

Several people reported seeing unidentified flying objects over Goldsboro and Seymour Johnson AFB last night.

The UFO's were described in various ways as "bobbing lights" and "a white streak across the sky." The sightings were made around 6:30 p.m.

Some watchers claimed to have seen "something flashing green and green and red and red" going north across the sky at a fast rate of speed.

The UFO's were seen by Goldsboro policemen, pedestrians in the downtown area, residents at Salem Acres near Seymour Johnson AFB and base personnel on the flightline.

None wished to be identified.

One viewer said he saw a UFO with green and red lights bobbing up and down and from side to side like a balloon. He said the lights flashed on and off several times before the object sped off.

All the viewers said they saw only one object at a time. Some said after one would disappear, another would come into view, both headed in the same general direction.

A Salem Acres resident spotted a UFO just above the Seymour Johnson flightline at a 45 degree angle of view. He called the radar station and said personnel there reported seeing the object, but were unable to pick it up on the radar screen.

All agreed on one thing—the UFO's were moving at great speed, generally in a northerly direction.

The sightings are now under investigation by Air Force officials at Seymour Johnson AFB. Base authorities reported this morning that a report is being compiled and will be released at a later date.

N.Y. TIMES Oct 25 1966

Unidentified Objects In Sky Sighted at Goldsboro, N.C.

GOLDSBORO, N. C., Oct. 24 (AP)—A number of Goldsboro residents, including airmen at nearby Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, reported having seen unidentified flying objects last night.

At least 10 persons said they had seen objects flashing green and red lights in the sky.

Another reported having seen a greenish white light flashing across the sky.

A woman said she saw a flashing light over the flightline at the base and telephoned the base radar station. Airmen there said they saw the object, but couldn't pick it up on radar.

RANDOLPH TOWNSHIP, N. J., Oct. 24 (AP)—Two policemen, Sgt. Michael Lizura and Patrolman Leslie Mills, reported having seen an unidentified flying object, "like a flare dancing across the horizon," last night in this Morris County community.

HAVELOCK PROGRESS
Havelock, N. C.

on 10/23, and on 10/24

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SIGHTED MONDAY HERE

Base And Citizens Disagree On UFO

Whether there was an unidentified flying object sighted over Havelock and the Station Monday night depends upon which version one listens to.

There are any number of residents who are willing to take an oath they sighted the strange object and its erratic behavior for almost two hours between seven and nine p.m.

And there are others who say they saw nothing, even when they were standing shoulder to shoulder with those who were looking at it.

The Station joins in the latter category with a flat denial that anything was seen.

The Station in an official statement said there was nothing to it although there was dissenting comment that it had been observed from the Operations tower and was under observation by the tower personnel at that time.

Over Goldsboro

An UFO, as they have been termed, was supposedly seen over Seymour Johnson AFB and Goldsboro Sunday night by a number of city and base residents. Its behavior, according to [illegible] at [illegible] Goldsboro [illegible], was different, in that the object sped across the sky from horizon to horizon and repeatedly came back.

Reports on the Havelock object spotted Monday night said it flew an erratic but rectangular pattern over the base and to the east of it for almost two hours.

Mrs. Richard Rodd and Mrs. Thomas Stroud said they saw it. A buck sergeant on the base said Tuesday he had seen it and there are others who may have seen it but who did not contact the newspaper.

Base's Denial

The base, through a PIO spokesman, CWO William Omdhal, said: "We have no reports of a sighting of an UFO over the Station on October 24." Omdhal said the quoted statement was authorized by Col. R. E. Smith, base chief of Staff. "I've checked your request through Operations, Air Traffic Control, the G-2 and the G-3 and this is our answer," he explained.

Omdhal said he knew of no Marine Corps order or regulation which prohibits acknowledging a UFO or making comments on them. The Air Force has such a standing order which forbids the confirmation of such sightings or any commentary on their having been seen.

"I think I remember reading about this," the PIO officer said, "but I know nothing about any such order in the Marine Corps."

Licensed Pilot

Mrs. Rodd is a licensed private aviator and she said she watched it for a "long time" through a pair of powerful binoculars.

"Everybody in our neighborhood (Sherwood Forest) was out looking at it through telescopes and every pair of field glasses they could find.

"It had no definable shape but it definitely did change colors from red to green. It was slightly larger than the largest star in the sky Monday night. I watched it in a northeastern direction for almost two hours.

Color Change

"You couldn't see the color change with the naked eye, but when you used the binoculars you could see the color change very clearly. On the left side it had a star-like flare but it did not have one on the right side."

Erratic Pattern

She said it flew in an erratic flight pattern but would drop below the treetop line of sight, climb higher and then move to the right. Mrs. Rodd said she [illegible] thought [illegible] of UFOs there have been [illegible] dozens of them over the past two decades, [illegible] to them."

Mrs. Stroud, a student pilot, was emphatic in having seen the object and described it as "an UFO changing from red to green to red and flying in a rectangular pattern east of us."

Both said a neighbor, Maj. H. L. Fogarty, 132 Sherwood, was out in the yard "watching and he called the tower and said they were watching it at the time."

Mrs. Rodd said she thought the comment was also made "that they could see it with their eyes, but could not pick it up on the radar," but she wasn't positive.

Children at the Fogarty home said their mother and father left early Tuesday morning for Philadelphia and would not return until Friday.

The sighting of the object from the Control tower on the base was denied by Mr. Omdhal in his quoted statement.

World Journal Tribune, New York, Monday, October 31, 1966

on 10/30

Red Lighted UFO Seen In Bayside

An unidentified flying object with red lights was reported hovering over a Bayside, Queens, intersection yesterday by two women.

Geraldine Smith, of 214-23 48th Rd., Bayside, Queens, and Lynne Diamond, of 133 E. Maple St., Valley Stream, L. I., told police they observed the object at 9 p.m. over 48th Rd. and Bell Boulevard. It moved east about three miles before returning to the original area, they said.

Patrolman Joseph Cabri of the Bayside station, sent to the scene after the women reported the incident, said he saw no object.

on 10/24

Los Angeles Times WED., OCT. 26, 1966—Part I 21

Police Capture Youths' UFO

TOTOWA, N.J. (AP)—Police caught an unidentified flying object here.

The thing floated in the air and gave off an eerie glow. Police said they received numerous calls from residents Monday night before they finally caught a cluster of helium-filled balloons tied to an aluminum-foil pall into which a lighted cable had been placed.

Officers said they traced the launching of the "UFO" to a group of teenagers.

MICHIGAN
Holland Evening Sentinel
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OCT 26 1966
on 10/24

Residents Report Sighting of UFO

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A brightly colored unidentified object was reportedly seen by Holland residents over the Waverly railroad yards between 8 p.m. and 11 p.m. Monday.

The circular object was reported to have changed colors from red to blue to green.

Dr. Ronald Beery of the Hope College physics department, who did not see the object, said the object could possibly have been star light refracted through frost crystals in the air. He added, however, that the air was probably not cold enough that early in the evening for the frost to form.

Ottawa County sheriff's deputies checked the area of the railroad yards, but found nothing.

WARREN TRIBUNE CHRONICLE
WARREN, O.
P.M. — circ. 44,482
OCT. 26, 1966 on 10/24

Huge Ball In Sky Is Spotted By Warren Woman

An object described as a huge ball of ing off a red and orange glow was seen in the northwest skies about 9:30 p.m. Monday by Mrs. Vincent DeSanti, 2023 Montclair NE, according to a report she made to The Tribune.

Mrs. DeSanti said the object, low along the horizon, veered across the sky at incredible speed, flew in an arc over Warren, and then swerved suddenly to the northeast where it disappeared below the horizon.

"There was no sound, nor was there any trail of flames or light behind the object," Mrs. DeSanti said. "It traveled at a speed distinctly faster than any jet aircraft," she added.

Mrs. DeSanti said the object was also witnessed by her son, Michael, 10, and daughter, Annamarie, 17.

THE KENTON TIMES
KENTON, O.
P.M. - circ. 7642
on 10/26
OCT. 27, 1966

Unidentified Object Seen Wednesday Near Marseilles

An unidentified object was spotted in the sky northeast of Kenton Wednesday evening.

Marion Weaver of Route 3, Upper Sandusky, northwest of Marseilles, reported to a Times reporter that at approximately 8:30 p.m. he and his wife spotted two bright type objects in the sky in a northeasterly direction from their home.

He said he watched the two objects for quite some time. They were some distance apart and would change in various colors from red to green to yellow and then back to white. He said at first for a while it looked as though there were four headlights just setting up in the sky which were very bright.

Then the one object started to move at a very high rate of speed from the north to the south.

Numerous calls were received at the Hardin county sheriff's department and the Wyandot county sheriff's department in regard to the objects in the sky.

Weaver told a Times reporter that one could still see the object in the sky at approximately 9:15 p.m.

It was reported that during the evening numerous cars were stopped along the highway, the occupants looking up into the sky and the U.F.O.

Chronicle
DeKalb, Ill.
Evening Circ. 12,643
on 10/26
OCT 27 1966

UFO Spotted X-8 In Grand Detour

The Ogle County Sheriff's office today attributed the sighting Wednesday night of an unidentified flying object by a Grand Detour woman to the unusually bright moon.

Sheriff William Spencer said the UFO was reported sighted by Mrs. Robert Hawn, Grand Detour, who described the object as "bright silver and circling the area getting brighter and brighter until it disappeared."

Authorities theorized the bright moon cast a reflection creating the weird scene.

Watseka, Ill.
Evening Circ. 6,297
OCT 29 1966
on 10/26

Report seeing a UFO here X-8

What was it? A flying saucer? A radiosonde balloon? Or another unidentified flying object that many people have reported seeing in various parts of the nation?

Whatever it was, at least four Watseka residents saw a UFO high in the skies in the vicinity of the public library here the other night.

The aerial object first was sighted by Renee Peters, a Watseka Community high school freshman, and Cindy Haugher, an eighth grader here. They reported seeing the object Wednesday night shortly after 7 p.m.

DESCRIBE OBJECT

They described it as resembling a large white, brilliant object that occasionally blinked red. When they first observed it, the object appeared to be high in the sky, and larger than discerned stars in the background.

They were in the library for about 20 minutes and, upon leaving, glanced back into the sky and saw that the UFO had moved noticeably to a northward position than where first seen.

They hurried to Renee's home and told her mother, Mrs. Ed Peters, what they had seen. Mrs. Peters and neighbor, Mrs. Don Deany, went outside, and observed the eerie lighted object in the sky. None of the four could identify it. They watched it until about 9:10 p.m. when the UFO suddenly turned southward and rapidly disappeared into space.

SEEK INFORMATION

The girls wrote to Mr. Roberts of Champaign Channel 3 TV, describing what they had seen. On the Thursday noon newscast, Mr. Roberts had a special show on flying saucers.

He discussed the fact on TV and in a letter received from him by Renee that their UFO could have been a radiosonde balloon that was not rising at the prescribed rate.

If this is the answer, it was mused, then it could have landed somewhere in the Watseka area. But, if it was not a radiosonde, who knows? It could have been a flying saucer!

Herald-Whig
Quincy, Ill.
Evening Circ. 23,317
on 10/26
OCT 27 1966

UFO may have been bright star

An unidentified flying object was checked out by a newsman in the 2000 block of Monroe Wednesday night and the conclusion reached by observers was that the object being watched by neighborhood children and their parents was a bright star. X-8

An unusually clear night allowed the star to come through with a brilliant sparkle. It appeared at times to change colors.

One boy was overheard to say, "It's a good way to get out of home work."

Press
Elmhurst, Ill.
Weekly Circ. 10,500
a 10/27
NOV 1 - 1966

Teens Sight Flying Object Over City

An unknown flying object was sighted last Thursday night over Elmhurst.

Five teen-agers provided drawings of the bright red colored object which they said traveled "faster than a jet airplane."

They are Gerald Erickson, 16, of 803 Ridgeland av.; Wayne Bell, 12, of 257 Osborn av.; David Moss, 13, of 260 West av.; Dennis Spiegel, 12, of 662 Elizabeth st., and William Matthews, 14, of 115 Bonnie Brae av.

THE BOYS said they observed the "flying object" in eastern skies. It circled and headed northwest when a commercial jet airliner flew near it, they said.

The object was describ- all in shape of V and a red light in the center.

They reported sighting the object while they were in the area of Emerson school.

Also, Jerome Antunes, 397 N. West av., and his two young daughters, observed an orange ball going north

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WARREN TRIBUNE CHRONICLE
WARREN, O.
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Southington Twp. Woman Says She Spotted UFO

The UFO seen last Friday night by two Southington Township women apparently was witnessed by Mrs. Paul Tomsich, Bazetta Rd.

Mrs. Tomsich notified The Tribune late yesterday she was near Lincoln School on Atlantic, NE, driving toward her home between 7:15 and 7:25 p.m., when she saw a cigar-shaped object moving across the sky with red, blue and white lights blinking.

She said the object was rotating and there was a steady hum emanating from it.

Mrs. Tomsich reported the sighting lasted less than a minute and the object swung around the school and over her automobile, and then departed with incredible speed toward the northeast. Bright flashes, similar to flares, were seen beneath the UFO as it sped away, she said.

MICHIGAN
Marquette Mining Journal
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10/26 OCT 26 1966

200 Students 193 Witness 4 UFOs

More than 200 Northern Michigan University students reportedly witnessed four unidentified flying objects huddling over the eastern portion of the city early this morning. The four objects were reported to have changed color from red to green to white and were observed to remain in a round pattern. The first sighting occurred at about 12:30. Two of the objects vanished at about 3:30; the third, and brightest, remained until 4 and the fourth object was seen until the light of day obscured vision.

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NEWS JOURNAL
Pensacola, Fla.
OCT 30 1966

Saucers?

Air Force Checking Objects

PATCHOGUE, N.Y. (UPI) — The Air Force Saturday investigated reports of a multicolored unidentified flying object (UFO) that hovered at tree-top level and screeched.

It was the second consecutive night that UFO's were reported in the eastern Long Island area. Other sightings were reported last week. The Air Force said it was looking into all the reports.

Several hundred persons, including policemen, said they saw the UFO's, one of which was photographed. The photo showed a bright, starlike object in the dark sky.

The latest sightings were reported by a radio station that said it received 15 telephone calls Friday night and early Saturday from five communities encompassing the width of Long Island.

The callers reported seeing a white cylindrical object with red and green lights hovering anywhere from 200 feet above the ground to tree-top level. Some said it emitted screeching noises.

Press-Democrat
Santa Rosa Calif
NOV 7 1966
on 10/31.

MENDOCINO, HEALDSBURG — More UFO Sightings Reported By Redwood Empire Residents

see separate account on 8/20

Two more residents have reported seeing strange lights in the sky recently.

The latest report came from the Mendocino coast, where Mrs. James Beall told The Press Democrat she saw three strange objects in the sky Monday night.

Mrs. Beall, a teacher with the Mendocino County Schools office, said she was returning home from an education class at Point Arena when the sighting took place.

"I have always been a doubting Thomas about these things," she said, "but I'm not now. I know there is something that people have been seeing, but I can't explain it."

She said she was driving along Highway One up Elk Creek grade about two miles from the small coastal town of Elk when she looked up a canyon and saw three lights in the sky.

"At first I thought they were stars and then I thought they might be airplanes, but the way they were bouncing around I knew they couldn't be," she said.

"There were two of them and then a third larger one came from the north and seemed to approach them until it looked like it touched one of the others.

"When that happened a large blue light shot up the entire canyon and out from below the large object and it sped north again until it had gone about a mile."

Mrs. Beall said, "It stopped and hovered over a ridge just above here where it looked like it was spinning around and just staying in one spot."

She said she could see a series of smaller lights behind the larger one "which might have been windows."

"I thought they might be airplanes and then I tried to convince myself it was a helicopter, but when I couldn't I got scared and started home," she said.

She woke her husband and they both returned to the area, but the lights had disappeared when they arrived about 20 minutes later.

Mrs. Beall said she had watched the lights for about five minutes after stopping her car and became certain they were caused by something mechanical.

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GOLDSBORO NEWS ARGUS
Goldsboro, N. C.
D - 13,903
10/30

'Swizzing Noise' Field Set Ablaze By 'Balls Of Fire'

"Flaming balls of fire that came down 'out of the sky' were listed as the cause of a weekend grass fire on US 70 west of Goldsboro near Evergreen Memorial Cemetery.

Fork Township Volunteer Fire Dept. extinguished the fire and reported it did no damage.

Fireman Pat Davis said today the balls of fire were seen by Roland Blizzard.

"He heard a swizzing noise and saw the fire strike the ground," Davis related.

He said the firemen did not learn who the vacant field belongs to or where Blizzard lives.

An attempt to locate Blizzard today to get a first-hand account met with no success.

In recent weeks, Wayne County residents have reported seeing a number of unidentified flying objects.

Lisbon, O. Journal
On 10/31.
OCT 31 1966

UFO Sighted

A rural Lisbon resident, Russell Liber of RD 2, sighted a flying object this morning he believes may have been a satellite. He viewed the illuminated craft from his property at 5:30 a.m. It was headed south toward East Liverpool, he said, and appeared red and blue around the edges.

RALEIGH TIMES
Raleigh, N. C.
DATE NOV 1 1966

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Brooms or Squares
on 10/31

Women Wonder

Three Raleigh women are wondering today whether modern day witches have forsaken their broomsticks and taken to flying saucers.

Mrs. Lillian Bailey, Miss Peggy Flenady and Mrs. Frances Newhouse are trying to figure out if someone tried to trick-or-treat them last night.

For Halloween Night coincided with the first time the three saw a flying saucer.

The three were driving from Six Forks Road to Glenwood Ave. about 9:30 p.m. when they saw "a terrific red light in the sky."

They stopped their car and got out for a closer look.

"We saw a cone-shaped, fiery red object hovering just above the housetops on Andersen Drive," Mrs. Newhouse said. "There was no noise, but beams of light were flashing all round the machine."

Mrs. Newhouse went into her house to get her husband and children to come and have a look.

But while she was indoors it disappeared.

Another of the witnesses said it just "blinked three times and disappeared."

Mrs. Newhouse has had to run the gauntlet of the usual skeptical remarks after reporting the sighting. But she is convinced she saw a flying saucer.

Now she is trying to find others in the White Oak Road-Anderson Drive area who perhaps saw the object and can back up the sighting.

NEWS AND OBSERVER
Raleigh, N. C.
Daily 133,578
on 10/31
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'Saucer' Sightings Reported

No such thing as a flying saucer? Don't try to tell Mrs. Frances Newhouse that.

"I saw one Monday night," Mrs. Newhouse said. "It was fiery red, oval shaped with tremendously bright lights around the edges.

"It was very low, just above the street lights. I felt like I could just reach up and touch it," said Mrs. Newhouse, a member of the public relations staff at the State Highway Commission.

She said she spotted the thing about 9:30 p.m. while driving with two friends southwest on Anderson Drive toward her home on Byrd Street.

It was traveling in an east-west direction and was in view "a good 10 minutes," she said.

Her companions, who also saw the object, were Mrs. Lillian Bailey and Miss Peggy Flenady.

By the time Mrs. Newhouse reached home and roused her husband and son from the television set, the thing was gone.

Dr. Charles Bugg, who is an amateur astronomer, said he and his wife also saw the object about 9:15 p.m. from their home in Drewery Hills. Dr. Bugg said it probably was "space junk."

He said the object was traveling in a straight line from south to north.

Dr. Bugg said the object was about about 100,000 feet above the earth and changed in color from brilliant red to yellow.

RALEIGH TIMES
Raleigh, N. C.
on 10/31
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UFO Sighted At Six Forks

[illegible] first reported [illegible] sighting. Mrs. Frances Newhouse, Mrs. Lillian Bailey and Miss Peggy Flenady described their saucer as shaped with bright red flashing lights.

They saw it at approximately 9:30 p.m. hovering over the housetops on Anderson Drive.

Dr. Charles Bugg, an amateur astronomer, also saw the object about 9:15 p.m. from his home in Drewery Hills.

He said it was traveling from south to north in a straight line and was probably "space junk."

COSHOCTON TRIBUNE
COSHOCTON, O.
P.M. & Sun. - circ.
10,946 on 11/4

NOV. 6, 1966

Duncan Falls Man Reports Seeing UFO

Leonard Elmore, 70, of Myers avenue, Duncan Falls, retired Ohio Power employe, reported seeing an unidentified flying object early Friday near his home.

He said "I don't know what it was, but it was something—and it scared the dickens out of me!"

He described the object as being about the size of a large garage or small house L-shaped. He said it followed him when he started to move away from it. He didn't see any of the occupants of the object but as he turned away he heard a voice saying "Don't run, Don't run."

Elmore said he didn't exactly run from the thing but he did walk pretty fast. He went home and got his shotgun and returned to the scene but could find no marks in the soft dirt although the object seemed to be setting on the ground when he saw it.

KANSAS
Osborne County Farmer
on 11/5
NOV. 17 1966

...ings, supply, and is a senior at Fort Hays State College.
...ne is a daughter of Mr. and ...rs. L. E. Richardson, Osborne.

Tri-county police sight UFO Nov. 5

Police officers from the Russell, Lincoln and Osborne police departments watched an unidentified flying object Saturday night, November 5.

The object, with a redish blinking light, was first spotted at 9:47 p.m. by Mike Lahmann, Russell, according to the Russell police. It was going up and down and back and forth in no set path or pattern, and traveled from southwest to northeast across Russell.

Two other men, Lonnie Gibson and Harry Schamp, saw the light ... northeast of Russell, themself police requested the Osborne and Lincoln officers to watch for it. The Osborne department reported the object was seen about six miles south of Osborne.

KANSAS
Russell Record
on 11/5
NOV 10 1966

Unidentified Flying Object Seen Saturday

An Unidentified Flying Object was reported in the Russell area Saturday night. The object, with a reddish blinking light, was spotted at 9:47 p.m. by Mike Lahmann, police said. It was going up and down and back and forth in no set path or pattern as it traveled from southwest to northeast across Russell.

Lonnie Gibson and Harry Schamp saw the mysterious light at 9:56 northeast of Russell. Police requested a watch for it from Osborne and Lincoln officers. At 10:12 p.m., the Osborne department reported the object was seen "about six miles south of Osborne."

Syracuse, N. Y.
Herald-Journal
on 11/13
NOV 14 1966

Crater on Venice farm caused by meteorite?

Air Force officials and geologists from Syracuse University this morning were planning to investigate a large hole on a Venice farm, believed caused by a meteorite.

Air Force Lt. Cecil Cole of Hancock Field at Syracuse today was seeking the aid of an expert geologist or astronomer from the university in the probe.

The four-foot-deep, seven-foot-wide crater is on the farm of Howard Lacey on Poplar Ridge Road. It was caused by an explosion in the alfalfa field around 12:30 a.m. yesterday and was preceded by a lightning-like flash.

"We thought it was a jet breaking the sound barrier. It shook the whole house," Lacey said today.

The explosion also shook the neighboring house, occupied by Harold Maasen, who described the sound as being "like a dynamite explosion."

After the sound awoke him, Maasen went out to discover the hole, where grain and grass had been burned for a radius of about 20 feet.

Leaving the site undisturbed, he called state police and troopers took photographs of the scene.

State police said they had received no other calls reporting meteors in the area.

However, a spokesman at the Hayden Planetarium in New York City said that a spectacular meteor display is expected this week across the United States.

KANSAS
Marion Telegram
DEC - 2 1966

on 11/15

UFOs, and not hunters, blamed for fence cutting

STOCKTON (Special) — [illegible]

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Rooks County Record.

THE DAILY SENTINEL
POMEROY, O.
P.M. - circ. 5083
on 11/13
NOV. 14, 1966

UFO Seen Above Oak Grove Road

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THE DAILY SENTINEL
POMEROY, O.
P.M. - circ. 5083
on 11/13-?
NOV. 16, 1966

Solves Mystery Of Balloon for [illegible]

[illegible]

THE ATHENS MESSENGER
ATHENS, O.
P.M. - circ. 17,735
Sun. - circ. 17,573
on 11/13-?
NOV. 16, 1966

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Former Meigs Native Not Fooled By UFO

POMEROY — Mrs. Janet Chamberlain, a former Meigs City girl and French teacher, [illegible] by placing a telephone call to Aire-sur-l'Adour, France.

[illegible] with instructions written in French.

Mrs. Jane Chamberlain, a former French instructor at Ohio State University, Otterbein College and Western Kentucky State University, was summoned to translate the tag and help with the call.

Upon talking with the Center of Atomic Energy in Aire-sur-l'Adour, France, Mrs. Chamberlain revealed to Kentucky officials that the balloon had been aloft since Oct. 18, 1966, and that its mission was to look for nuclear composites.

Mrs. Chamberlain is the former Janet Christy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Christy, Grove City.

KANSAS
Goodland Daily News

DEC - 2 1966

11/15

A Rooks County couple relates seeing a U. F. O. near Stockton

A Rooks County couple, Mr. and Mrs Ed Riffel, saw an Unidentified Flying Object a few miles from Stockton.

The incident happened Nov. 15 but was brought to light just this week.

The incident, according to the Riffels, occurred about 10:15 the night of November. 15 as they were returning to their home northeast of Stockton after attending a meeting.

When the Rifles were about five miles north and a half-mile east of Stockton, they saw lights which appeared to be not too far distant. At first the couple thought the lights were in the school house and thought some sort of a meeting was being conducted. But they soon discovered their error.

The school house was dark and the lights appeared nearer than they had thought. The couple related seeing two rows of windows with five windows in each row and they could see two sides of the object, which looked as if it might be 30 feet off the ground.

The couple related that moments later the object appeared to have six sides.

There was a flashing light on top and on takeoff, two other lights appeared. After the object started moving, it crossed the road in front of the Rifle car but neither Mr. or Mrs. Riffel could say how close it was, although they said it didn't appear to be very far and didn't look as if it were more than 10 feet above the ground.

After recovering from a slight shock, the couple decided to follow the object. Mr. Riffel said he was travelling about 75 miles per hour but that the object was greatly outdistancing him and it was soon out of sight.

This is the first report The News here has had of a UFO in this area. Reports during the past several months indicate the Unidentified Flying Objects have been more commonly seen in the Midwest than other sections of the country. Last year's influx of UFO reports came mainly from the Eastern portions of the United States.

THE ROBESONIAN
LUMBERTON, N. C.
D—6703 on 11/16

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Research Device Aviators Say

Object In Sky Over City Described As Big Balloon

[illegible] the Lumberton [illegible] Wednesday afternoon.

The aviators identified it as a plastic balloon of great size, at high altitude.

Reflecting the late afternoon sun in a clear sky, the object was readily visible over the northern part of the city, and for awhile appeared stationary. Slowly it moved toward the northeast and was lost to sight as the sky darkened.

As telephone inquiries began [illegible] Dupree [illegible] Lumberton [illegible] took off from the [illegible] airport to investigate.

He took his plane up to [illegible] feet and returned with a report that the object was a balloon, at possibly twice that height, moving very slowly in negligible wind. His guess: It could have been sent up for military, weather or scientific purposes.

Balloons of this kind usually are swept along by strong winds aloft and [illegible] only a short time [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] it seem [illegible] [illegible] barton.

Similar identification from ground level was made by Horace Barnes, veteran local aviator, with a pair of binoculars. He described the object as a huge plastic balloon, very high, probably taking samples in upper air research.

Barnes said it appeared to be only partly inflated, allowing for expansion of gas to fill out the balloon as it gained altitude.

Dupree estimated it would have taken a 15 or 20 minute airplane flight, with oxygen, to reach the balloon.

ST. PAUL'S REVIEW
St. Paul, N. C.
on 11/16

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Object Identified

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An object seen floating around in the sky Wednesday afternoon of last week attracted quite a bit of attention. The object, which disappeared in a northeasterly direction, was identified as a weather balloon and is said to have drifted this way from Texas.

MORNING NEWS
Florence, South Carolina
on 11/16

DATE NOV 17 1966

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Florence's UFO Identified

A balloon that started out the morning in Texas passed over the Pee Dee Wednesday afternoon, drawing a lot of viewers and a rash of UFO reports.

The Federal Aviation Agency said the balloon, seen as a speck in a clear, sunlight sky, was at an altitude of about 114,000 feet — more than 20 miles — when it dropped 200 pounds of observation instruments southeast of Columbia.

It was a big one, 204 feet in diameter and carrying a 265-foot antenna.

The FAA said at the same time it was sighted here, it also was being sighted from Fayetteville, N. C., and the Raleigh - Durham, N. C., airport.

It was headed east - northeast and presumably passed on off the coast.

Newark News 14 Nov. 1966

See More UFO's

N.J. Folk Report Sightings

UFO's were reported seen in four sections of New Jersey yesterday. The size, actions and colors of the objects varied in descriptions by the witnesses.

Three witnesses who may have seen the same thing said it was triangular in shape, that it hovered for a while over an area, and that it kept changing colors—from red to white to green or from purple to red and white.

Mrs. Joseph Liantino of 232 Ashford Ave., East Orange, was driving along the Garden State Parkway with her husband and two children about 4:20 p.m. when she saw "a big disc hovering in the sky over Brielle.

"At first I thought it was a disc," Mrs. Liantino said, "and that there were three small black planes following it. Then it started changing colors from purple to red to blinding white.

"I made my husband stop the car and he put on dark glasses when he looked at it," she said.

Triangle of Lights

An hour and a half later, 10-year-old Bonnie Hemmet of 11 Lockwood Road, Caldwell, saw a three-pointed triangle of lights hovering in the sky above his house.

"It (the UFO) was there for about a minute and then it suddenly went away," Bonnie said.

About 8 p.m. another UFO turned up in Colonia and stayed in the sky overhead for more than an hour.

"It looked like a star," said 14-year-old Frederick Urrutia of 58 Middis Road. "It was red, white and green and it was oscillating about 30 degrees above the horizon in the eastern sky.

"There were about 18 of us who watched it just hover there for over an hour," the boy said.

Woodbridge Reports

Police in Woodbridge received three reports of "flying saucers."

The first came at about 5:40 p.m. George Pappas of 31 Soren St., Fords section, a pilot of 20 years' experience, said he saw a pulsating orange object in the sky over the Fords Junior High School. He said it was a small object at what he estimated as 6,000 feet up, and that its climbing speed was "terrific."

At 6:45 p.m. a 13-year-old boy reported he had watched a "red, green and white" object for about 45 minutes through field glasses, and that it then suddenly flashed into the southern sky.

It was 8:40 p.m. when two 17-year-olds telephoned to State Police they had seen a "round, pinkish" object over the Hopelawn section. It was trailing vapor, they said.

Flight Over Morris

UFO Seen by Three Policemen

By WILLIAM McCALL
Staff Correspondent

BOONTON—It glowed alternatively blue, green and red. It hovered in the night sky, then darted, first horizontally, then vertically.

It soared a mile and a half into the sky over northwest Morris County, then plunged to within hundreds of feet of the earth as scores of witnesses stared, fascinated.

Among others, three veteran police officers followed the unidentified flying object's progress from Pequannock Township through Lincoln Park, Montville, Boonton, Boonton Township, and Passaic Township.

To Montville Patrolman Robert Logan, who stopped his patrol car in Route 287 and stared skyward, it was a round object, changing colors intermittently.

Skepticism Shaken

To his fellow patrolman, Walter Stager, who heard reports over his police car radio, it was a curiosity that had to be seen, despite Stager's firm position as an "unbeliever."

"I never would believe anything like that," he said, "unless I saw it with my own eyes. I drove from Pine Brook to Route 287 when I heard about it, and sure enough, there it was, about a mile high in the sky."

Their sergeant, George Kuhn, on duty at the desk in Montville police headquarters, reported the first sighting at 11:30 p.m. and said with a sigh:

"Thank God, it was the night. The switchboard here would have been lit up like a Christmas tree with calls if it had been earlier."

Bright Star

In Boonton, Deputy Police Chief John E. Dunne gazed out the window of police headquarters and watched the UFO for more than 30 minutes as it hovered in the sky, then reported, "It seemed to go straight down over Rockaway Valley."

A Millington doctor reported a similar sighting to Passaic Township police, but noted that the object was "yellowish" in color.

Police telephone switchboards immediately began to buzz with calls from people reporting the object. Some were frightened, police said. Others were doubtful.

Still others were cynical, positive that what they had seen was either "a balloon some kids made," or "a bright star."

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THE ATHENS MESSENGER
ATHENS, O.
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NOV. 18, 1966 11/17

Elementary School Pupil Reports UFO

NELSONVILLE—Several Nelsonville area residents have hailed unidentified flying objects. Debbie Wachtschwanz, Foster elementary school student, reported a UFO sighting on Thursday night to [illegible] Jones, auxiliary police, patrolman.

Debbie told Jones she, her cousin and several other persons saw a glowing object near Dowdville. The light moved from place to place in the sky and was obviously not an airplane, Debbie said.

Several adults have reported sighting of unusual lighted objects in the sky in the Kimberly-Cassett area, police said.

THE HIGHLANDER
Highlands, N. C.
DEC 1 1966
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UFO's Reported

Ellis Read reports this week of sighting several Unidentified Flying Objects from his home in the Scaly Mountain area recently.

"It was about 9:30 the night of November 17 that Anne (his wife) and I were getting out of the car when we noticed these objects. There were four lights flying toward the west. There were three in V formation and a fourth following behind. We first thought they were two, as they looked to be about the same altitude and at the usually time. Then we realized that we could hear no engine and we always hear the jets. The appearance of the objects, too, was entirely different from anything we had seen. A few moments after these four went out of sight, three more came into sight flying in the opposite direction, and in a straight line rather than a V.

"We called the radio station in Atlanta to see if they knew anything about them but they didn't, and suggested that we call the Air Force base, which we did. They said they didn't know anything about them either, and didn't seem at all interested. I guess they get so many calls from people that they wouldn't let you know whether they were interested or not.

"Several people from Highlands told me later that they saw some kind of object the next morning that seemed to sort of hover over Bearpen. I don't know what these objects were that we saw, but I know we had never seen anything that looked like them before. Later that same night we saw a jet fly over, and it looked altogether different from what they did. I just wonder if anybody else saw them that night."

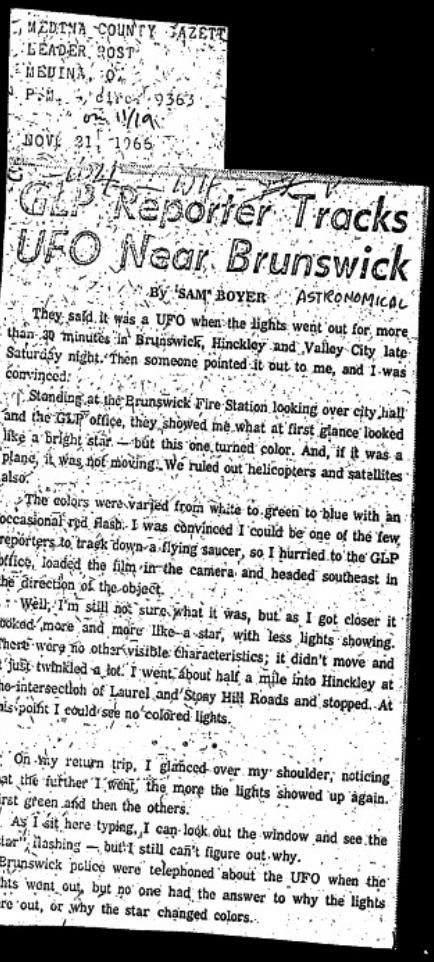
SALISBURY EVENING POST
Salisbury, N. C.
D - 18,763
on 11/19
DATE NOV 18 1966

UFO (154)

A lot of folks in this area were watching a UFO this morning.

It looked like a parachute to some and a balloon to other.

The Post authority on unknown flying objects, Ralph Miller, wrinkled his brow, took a look at the object, which was drifting eastward and turned in his verdict, "It's a weather balloon."



MEDINA COUNTY GAZETTE
LEADER POST
MEDINA, O.
P.M. - circ. 9363
on 11/19
NOV. 21, 1966

GLP Reporter Tracks UFO Near Brunswick

BY SAM BOYER ASTRONOMICAL

They said it was a UFO when the lights went out for more than 30 minutes in Brunswick, Hinckley and Valley City late Saturday night. Then someone pointed it out to me, and I was convinced.

Standing at the Brunswick Fire Station looking over city hall and the GLP office, they showed me what at first glance looked like a bright star — but this one turned color. And, if it was a plane, it was not moving. We ruled out helicopters and satellites also.

The colors were varied from white to green to blue with an occasional red flash. I was convinced I could be one of the few reporters to track down a flying saucer, so I hurried to the GLP office, loaded the film in the camera and headed southeast in the direction of the object.

Well, I'm still not sure what it was, but as I got closer it looked more and more like a star, with less lights showing. There were no other visible characteristics; it didn't move and it just twinkled a lot. I went about half a mile into Hinckley at the intersection of Laurel and Stony Hill Roads and stopped. At this point I could see no colored lights.

* * *

On my return trip, I glanced over my shoulder, noticing that the further I went, the more the lights showed up again. First green and then the others.

As I sit here typing, I can look out the window and see the "star" flashing — but I still can't figure out why.

Brunswick police were telephoned about the UFO when the lights went out, but no one had the answer to why the lights were out, or why the star changed colors.

THE NEWS-HERALD
WILLOUGHBY, O.
P.M. - circ. 17,463
on 11/19
NOV. 21, 1966

Eastlake Flying Object Is Gone When Police Arrive

Eastlake police investigated the sighting of a strange object at about 11:00 p.m. Saturday over the Lakeland Freeway.

Arthur Pacholke of 30350 Vine told the police that his wife observed the object for several minutes before it disappeared.

She described the thing as round and changing color from red to green to blue.

The object appeared to be moving, she said, at an altitude of about one mile.

Eastlake police looked for the object but could not find it.

THE TIMES LEADER
MARTINS FERRY, O.
P.M. - circ. 22,454
on 11/19
NOV. 19, 1966

UFO Report Received at Cadiz

CADIZ — Another in a series of what seems to be mysterious sightings in Eastern Ohio occurred today at 6 a.m. on Route 9, north of Cadiz.

Richard Harbourt of Scio notified the Cadiz Sheriff that he saw an unidentified flying object "all lit up" and flying quite low.

Harbourt described the object to deputies as a "dirigible-type" looking object that was very near the ground.

Harbourt, who had just gotten up and was on his way to work from his Scio home, could not be found for comment. No others reports were received.

MICHIGAN
Jackson Citizen-Patriot
(D)
NOV 21 1966
on 11/19 + 21

Red, White and Blue Lights

Residents Sight More Sky 'Things'

A sprinkling of aerial sightings was reported over the weekend by Jackson County residents including two sheriff's deputies.

The first reported sighting of a bright light in the eastern sky came at about 7 p.m. Saturday. Mrs. Gladys Porter, 123 E. Robinson, said that she was looking out her kitchen window and saw a light which appeared to slowly change from white to blue and then to red.

It appeared low in the eastern sky to her and a long way off.

Deputies Danny Fleming and Thomas Ritter said that they watched a bright object high in the eastern sky for several minutes about 3 a.m. today. Ritter said that it appeared to move a short distance up and down and right and left from a central location, but that no general travel was seen.

The deputies had been asked to look for the object by their radio dispatcher who had gotten some calls from citizens reporting similar sightings.

The State Police also got one call from a lady in Brooklyn who explained that it was probably a satellite or star, but felt that she should report it anyway.

Nelson Lincoln, president of the Jackson Astronomy Society, said that he had not seen anything unusual in the sky, nor had any of the members of the society reported sightings to him.

KANSAS
Garnett Anderson Countian
on 11/19-22
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Unidentified Lights Cause Investigation By Teenage Boys

Unidentified lights which reportedly have appeared about three and a half miles south of Garnett have caused a group of Garnett High School boys to become concerned enough to carry out their own investigation of the lights.

The first official report of the strange lights was turned in to the Anderson county sheriff's office Saturday night, Nov. 19. The teenage boys reported seeing extremely bright lights in the hills, road and sky about three-fourths of a mile south of the Bush City road. Bill Gadelman, county sheriff, went to the scene but did not see anything unusual at that time.

Several carloads of youths returned to the scene Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights and again reported seeing the mysterious lights which still have an unidentified origin.

Many of the young investigaters now are beginning to believe that the unidentified lights are optical illusions or are refracted lights cast into the hills, road and skies from cars on nearby highway 59. Others continue to be convinced that an "unidentified flying object" is loose in Anderson county.

THE NEWS-HERALD
CONNEAUT, O.
P.M. - circ. 5058
on 11/21
NOV. 22, 1966

On Interstate 90

Jefferson Man Sees UFO

JEFFERSON — Tom Taylor, of Jefferson, reported to the Sheriff's Dept. at 8:48 a.m. Monday that he sighted what he believed to be an unidentified flying object.

Mr. Taylor said he was driving east on Interstate 90 between Madison and Geneva, when he saw a large object about five miles high and to the north of the freeway.

He said it was much larger than any airplane he had ever seen and it was travelling at very high speed.

While he was watching, Mr. Taylor said the object made several changes in direction and disappeared to the east, travelling upward.

No other reports of a sighting were received at the Sheriff's office.

RECORD COURIER
RAVENNA, O.
P.M. - circ. 20,795
on 11/21
NOV. 21, 1966

Report Seeing Flying Saucer

Two students at Kent State University School reported seeing a "flying saucer," while driving to their classes this morning.

Kathy Fritz of Silver Lake, and Claudia Jones of Stow, were driving on S. R. 5 toward Kent when they saw the strange object in the east sky.

"It was large, round and moving fast to the north," said Kathy when she reported the sighting to the Record-Courier.

"We both saw it and we're sure it wasn't an airplane," she added.

She said it was 7:50 a.m. Their car was in front of the Buttan Ford Sales on W. Main St. when they spotted the object.

THE GENEVA FREE PRESS
GENEVA, O.
P.M. - circ. 3531
on 11/21
NOV. 23, 1966

UFO Sighting Is Reported

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SMITHFIELD HERALD
Smithfield, N. C.
Tue. & Fri. — 7,969
NOV 25 1966

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Astronomer Believes UFO Was Airplane

An amateur astronomer, R. C. Williams III of the Wesleyan section near Smithfield, observed through his 76-power telescope a phenomenon Monday night between 8 o'clock and 10 o'clock.

Deputy Sheriff Charlie Lewis had reported on Tuesday morning that he was called out Monday night when residents in O'Neals Township reported an unidentified flying object. Mr. Lewis said he watched the "orange glow" in the sky from around 11:45 Monday night until around 3 o'clock Tuesday morning before he went home and went to bed.

Deputy Lewis said Keith Strickland, about 18, first reported the thing in the sky and said he had shot at it three times with a shotgun. Authorities at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base were notified about the object in the sky, and Deputy Lewis said an Air Force Captain came to Johnston County Tuesday afternoon and interviewed a number of O'Neals Township residents who reported seeing the object.

The officer said that what he saw appeared "white-orange" in color, oblong in shape, and would dim out and then suddenly become bright. He said the object moved what appeared to be approximately 10 feet during the entire time he observed it.

Mr. Williams said the object appeared to his naked eye as an "orange glow." Through the telescope, he said, the object appeared as several small lights in a "V" shape."

Mr. Williams said he believes that what he observed was a jet airplane and that the orange glow was created when the afterburners were turned on.

He estimated the speed of the unidentified flying object at more than 200 miles per hour.

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Unidentified Object Seen In The Sky

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He said the object appeared to be elongated and turning very slowly as it moved slightly to the East. He said it resembled a star except it was really looking.

Lexie Wallace, radio dispatcher on duty at the Sheriff's Office when the object was reported, said he saw it from the Courthouse Square in Smithfield.

Seymour Johnson Air Force Base was notified, Deputy Lewis said, and said a colonel would come to Johnston County on Tuesday to talk with those who saw the object.

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Other Folks Say Flying Saucer

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Smithfield Herald

By the time this gets into print, maybe the unidentified flying object seen in O'Neals Township will have been identified.

Now I don't blame people for being excited by seeing an unusual light hovering over their yard; but Deputy Sheriff Charlie Lewis said that the youth, about 18, who first reported the "thing," took three shots at it with a shotgun.

Suppose the UFO was from outer space. Suppose it was a reconnaissance visit to determine if earthlings are friendly.

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Have You Seen The Monster Bird Around Your Place Recently?

Have you seen the "Monster Bird" or [illegible] in your back [illegible] recently?

[illegible] first it was seen in Pt. Pleasant, W. Va., then Gallipolis, then at Berlin Cross Roads below Wellston, and this week in Hocking County.

Henry Zinn of Vinton County reported to Wellston police he had seen the Monster Bird while driving on Rt. 327 near Berlin. His description tallied with [illegible] sightings in the [illegible] Point Pleasant area.

[illegible] certainly wasn't [illegible] although it was seen [illegible] Ralston Purina [illegible] the turkeys have not started arriving yet.

Newest sighting of the Thing was in the vicinity of Jurgensmine [illegible] near Logan.

A [illegible] trucker said the huge bird which buzzed him at broad daylight on Rt. 33, darting between the truck and the car [illegible].

The [illegible] truck driver [illegible] CB radio to report the sightings, saying it almost caused one auto to wreck, since the low-flying birds were making "passes" at the vehicles on Rt. 33 north of Logan.

Last week, Mrs. Edna Guess, [illegible] Mrs. Betty Holt, Kathleen Bond and Dixie Aufflick, all of [illegible]sonville, had stopped at Johnny Appleseed Park at Diamond [illegible] shut the car door while on [illegible] way home from work [illegible] Logan Goodyear plant [illegible] 11:15 p.m.

Mrs. Guess, a passenger [illegible] the front seat, said as they pulled from the park she [illegible] a large object which [illegible] thought was a deer on the opposite side of the roadway.

She warned the driver to slow down in case it crossed the highway, but said they were stunned when a bird rose from the ground and started to fly toward the car.

She said they could see the underneath side of the big bird plainly and could even see its quills. The bird was grayish white, but was silvery in the light from the headlights.

From the back seat, Miss Bond could see the bird's eyes. "They were enormous and looked more like headlights." She said she watched the birds as they flew toward the nearby river, where they seemed to land.

The four women were hesitant to talk of their experience because they said they have taken much razzing about it. But they maintained the birds are something they had never seen before and hope they never see again.

Mrs. Guess said the big bird was very heavy and stocky, with long thick legs, and seemed to have difficulty getting off the ground.

The second bird was much smaller, probably not much bigger than a hen, they said. Ornithologists believe the larger bird is a sandhill crane, not common in this area.

DISPATCH NEWS
Lexington, S. C.

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Local Jeweler Observes UFO On Way Home

Bruce Cook, Lexington jeweler, reported last week that he had started home to Columbia, on Tuesday night, about 8:00 when he spotted an unidentified object in the sky, a light that was very bright and flashed and moved on then flashed again, repeating this several times, always as if falling. He said it was not a falling star as the coloring was different and he had never before seen anything at all like it. He told his family about what he had seen when he arrived home and they too were pretty shaken up, as was Bruce.

On the same night, Tuesday, only about 10:30 p.m., two school teachers reported that they saw an "unusually large, green colored falling star," between Columbia and Orangeburg on I-26. One of the teachers said the "star probably had a lot of copper in it, as it burned green and was the largest either of us had ever seen. We picked it up at about a 45 degree angle and watched it all the way down, which was unusual, but we could see it."

The two incidents apparently had not connection as they were timed so far apart.

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CAR

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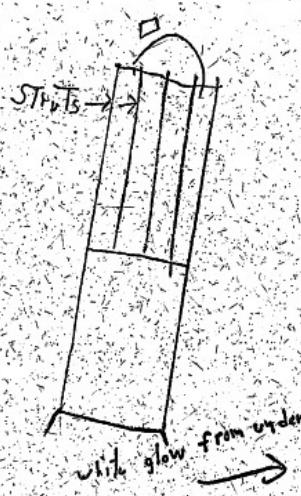

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Sentinel
Santa Rosa Calif
Dec 7 1966 on 12/6

Day by Day

By Ethel Day

Am not quite sure we (or I should even print this) but--Monday night about 9:45 p.m. as I was driving south and heading toward the Sonoma County Airport, two huge searchlights loomed up as I came to the crest of a rise. It was startling since they seemed suspended at the end of the airport runway. The first thing that came into my mind was UFO's. Now I wish I had nerve enough to stop, but by the time I made a turn and looked back nothing was visible. There's naturally some explanation for this and I did call in the airport only to learn that nothing unusual was noted.

James and Margie Carroll who recently moved here from Pacifica with their five children and three pets, Cinnamon, Foggy and a fire in their home, last week. James has been remodeling this older home and, with one room completed, they had just moved in and got a nice warm fire going in the wood stove. The metal rim at the ceiling evidently got too hot and started a fire. Margie was busily ushering out dogs and children when the Fire Department came to the rescue. Approximately $100 damage was done.

It was brought to my attention the other day that Mrs. Frank Newman, owner and operator of Cottage Grove nursing home is quite the humanitarian when it comes to needy families. Mrs. Newman, chairman of the Christian Social Concerns Commission of the Windsor Community Methodist Church was assisting in distributing Thanksgiving baskets when she ran across a family who obviously needed medical attention. She informed her own doctors of the situation and had it taken care of without any more said.

Flying Saucers . . .

VACAVILLE, CALIF.
REPORTER 12/8/66

Only Tuesday a Bay Area mystery that involved the sighting of several UFOs was solved — the work of a young high school student in San Mateo County. The objects, spotted by an off-duty highway patrolman, his wife, and a supervisor of the control tower of San Francisco International Airport, were later identified as home made flying saucers.

Young Jon Barnard, a Carlmont High School student, explained how to make flying saucers:

"You take one plastic bag used by cleaning firms to protect clothes. Then you plug the coat hanger end at the top. Get a bunch of plastic straws from a soda fountain. You use them as struts to hold the bag open.

"A circular structure of the straws, inserted end-to-end, provides a platform for nine birthday candles, four in the center and one on each spoke of the struts.

"Now, you light the candles, holding the top of the bag until hot air fills it. You hold the bag from the top until the whole bag fills out. Then you let it go and away flies your hot air balloon given a gentle glow from the candles."

So now you know, you have the formula and can become a do-it-yourself UFOer overnight. They say it's lots of fun.

REIDSVILLE REVIEW
Reidsville, N. C.
DATE DEC 8 1966

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UFO Is Loud, Travels "Faster Than Plane"

Seen any flying saucers floating around lately? Well someone in Reidsville has seen something that at least they thought was a flying saucer.

Last night between 5:30 and 6:00 p. m. two local boys were hunting near the Reidsville fairgrounds when they saw something that rather gave them a start. The boys, Jerry Barrett 16, and Johnny Meeks 17 described the object as a sphere that appeared to be about the size of a basketball.

"We really couldn't tell how big it was" said Barrett. He added that there was nothing to compare its size to.

The boys said that the object was visible for "around a half minute". They said that it appeared to be almost clear, but as they watched it started to climb "a beam of light".

They said that it finally climbed out of sight and then they heard what sounded like a jet cranking up only much louder. "After it cranked up it came over real fast" said Meeks, "faster than a plane".

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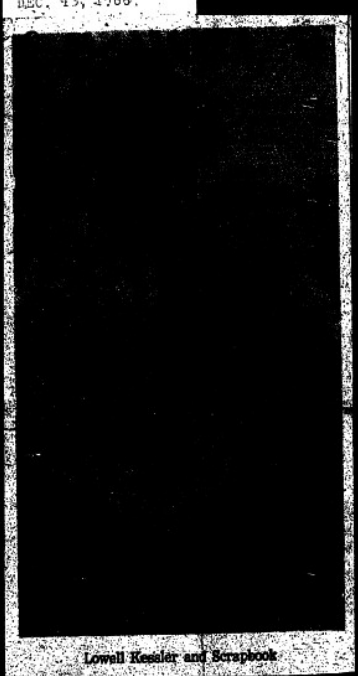


Lowell Kessler and Scrapbook

What Did He See?

Boy Eagerly Watches For 'Flying Saucers'

By RICK ZARBAUGH
Staff Writer

Lowell Kessler often awakens early to look out his bedroom window in hopes of seeing flying saucers.

The 8½-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Kessler of 3888 E. Erie Ave., saw what he thought were flying saucers last Friday at 6:10 a.m.

"There were three of them," Lowell said, "I can't compare them to anything I have ever seen."

EACH SAUCER was a different size he said. All were gold colored. The largest was about the size of an airplane, he said, and was flashing on and off. They were high in the sky.

Kessler, a third grade student at Emerson School, hopes to be an archeolgist after graduation from college.

Every night, Kessler reads The Journal and clips out the feature about outer space which appears in the comic section. He is making a scrapbook of them.

"I FIRST got interested in them (flying saucers) when I saw that illustration about two men from Amherst," Kessler said. "Amherst is near us and I thought I would start watching for them."

Asked if he believed in unidentified flying objects before he saw one, he said, "No. I thought there were some but I wanted to see them. I have been getting up every morning since but I haven't seen any more."

Independent
Richmond Calif
DEC 15 1966

UFO Sighting Reported Here

A UFO sighting was made here early last night by a Richmond man and his son who saw a fiery object streaking away toward the west.

Michael Mehawk, 44, of 2824 May Rd., said he and his son were walking in the 400 block of Utah drive about 7 p.m. yesterday when they saw what appeared to be a piece of burning paper falling slowly toward the ground.

Mehawk told police he thought at first it was a paper which had drifted out of a chimney. But before it hit the ground it suddenly changed course and disappeared in about 30 seconds in the direction of Hamilton field.

Only a moment or two before the sighting, Mehawk said he saw an airplane going in the same direction.

Capital Journal
Salem Ore
Dec 26 1966

Family Reports 3 'Flying Saucers'

CORVALLIS — Air Force officials at Adair Air Force Station near here were treating as routine today a Christmas Day report of a "flying saucer" sighting.

Clyde Brooks, 65, a Harrisburg heavy equipment operator, and his wife, Joyce, 36, told Benton County sheriff's deputies they spotted three unidentified flying objects (UFOs) about 2 a.m. Sunday.

Brooks also said his four teenage children saw the objects.

The sighting took place on Territorial Road just south of Monroe about 20 miles south of Corvallis. Brooks and his family were returning from exchanging gifts at a relative's home.

There was a whoosh . . . a flash and three objects were going up from this field," Brooks said. "The motors (of the UFOs) were deafening. Slammed my hands over my head . . . it hurt my ears. Then, it couldn't have taken 30 seconds, they circled around way up and lined up in a row and the sound stopped and they just stayed there."

Press
Paso Robles Calif
Dec 12 1966

[redacted]

The switchboard at the San Luis Obispo Police Station was flooded with calls Sunday night as the result of hot air.

As explained by Lt. William Sperlo, younger residents of the city learned hot air rises. Using this principal of physics, they manufactured hot air balloons with a framework of soda straws and plastic dry cleaning bags for an envelope.

Inside this, Sperlo said, they placed small candles, the type usually used to decorate birthday cakes. The hot air balloons rose several thousand feet over the city and were believed to be unidentified flying objects by [illegible] residents.

Sperlo said the police force reception was somewhere between amusement and vexation.

WILMINGTON NEWS
Wilmington, N. C.
E. exp. Sat. — 9,887

Dec 15, 1966

About 5:15 a. m. Sunday, I saw a number of glowing objects fly overhead heading from north to south — about the height of planes. They seemed to be round, like discs, and went beyond the airport over the trees. They seemed to be passing in 12-second intervals at such terrific speed as their light would show overhead and in three seconds would disappear on the horizon. I was watching them from the Castle Hayne Road near Wrightsboro. Did any [illegible] see such objects? — C. W. T., Castle Hayne.

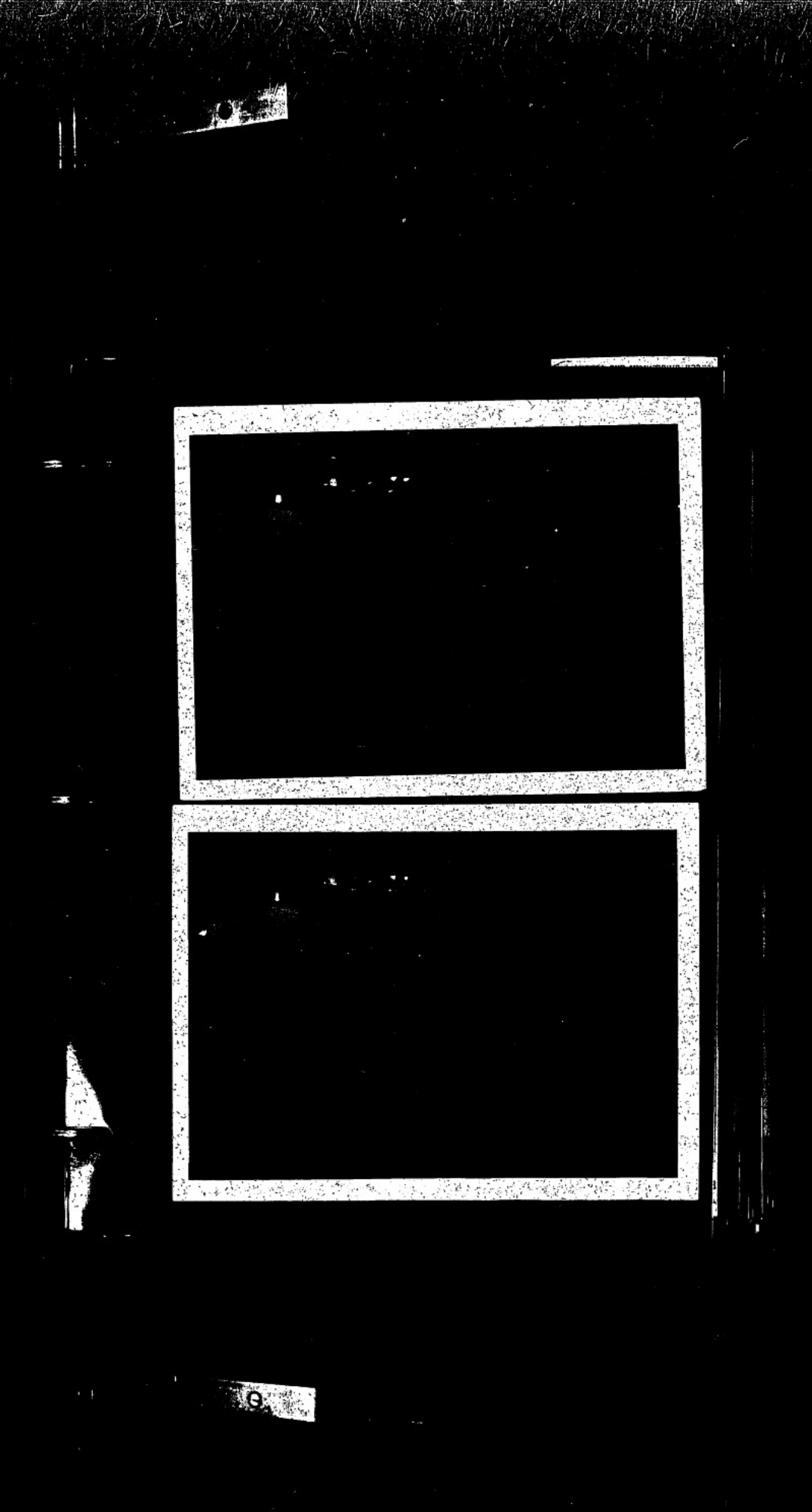
[redacted] such phenomena. Personnel at the control tower of the Federal Aviation Agency at the airport didn't notice them. A spokesman said there could be dozens of plausible explanations for what they might have been, including aerial refueling tankers and helicopters.

Democrat Herald
Baker Ore
Dec 19 1966

BULLETIN

Several instances of the sighting of an Unidentified Flying Object Saturday evening have been reported to The Democrat-Herald.

The object, seen after dark Saturday, was brightly lighted, like airplane landing lights, followed by two red lights. The object was seen in the east and one person indicated it was at about 2,000 feet over Coyote Peak. It was also reported to stand still in the air, one said 30 seconds, then moved closer to town and turned and went off in the direction of Haines.



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A UFO?

Not A Bird, Not A Jet

A Wilmington laundry truck driver spotted Thursday morning what appeared to him to be a flying saucer.

"I was driving on 18th Street, near Lake Forest School, watching the jet streaks in the sky," Douglas Bayse of 1114 Greenfield St. said.

"I happened to see this round-looking object that looked silver," he said. "A saucer was the nearest thing I could think of it looked like."

Bayse said it was low enough to see "pretty clearly" and that it "moved pretty fast."

He said he looked up twice to see it, but didn't the third time he looked. Between looks he was watching the road.

"It didn't look like a bird and it didn't look like a jet," he said, adding that it was moving from west to east.

Bayse didn't think it was a reflection on the windshield of the truck, although he said he saw the object through the glass.

"It was the first time I'd seen anything like it," he said. The time was about 11 a.m.

"If you find out what it might have been, I'd like to know," he added.

Foreign

NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS on UFOs

NICAP HQ. FILE

File under foreign sightings

Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, December 8, 1941

January 8, 1956

Dear Mr Myerson:

Sunday night - 7:30 p.m. I called you by phone about a certain U.F.O. sighting - and here is the account of it. At that time we didn't know any thing about flying saucers.

It was on a clear day on December 8, 1941 - There were clouds, but we could see the blue sky clearly. About 10 of us - Red Cross volunteer first aiders - were lying on the school lawn (Aiea School) during the noon hours (we could still see the smoke rising from Pearl Harbor in billowing clouds) and one of us noticed a round white object floating way up in the sky overhead. It was very high, over 30,000 feet. We watched it go by just like a ball floating down stream. We thought it was another planet, or something from Mars spying on the great smoke rising from Pearl Harbor. After reading the Saucer report seven years latter - I thought of the sighting of December 8, 1941 and now clearly picture it as truly a U.F.O. Yours truly

Yoshio Takata

Flying saucers
at Addis Abab

By WILLIAM R. STONEHAM

PARIS,

Here is one flying saucer which can be identified. Reports from Addis Ababa state that [illegible] as well as [illegible] have observed what the natives call "tayaras" (flying devices) during recent days.

Many now be reported in years late—that's down Americ way—war correspondents who were in the Ethiopian capital for the Italo-Ethiopian war in 1935 were amazed one bright and cloudless afternoon to see many tiny silver-disc riding across the sky at an extreme altitude. The phenomenon was confirmed by several people who were also taking photographs at the moment, which, it was learned later, were taken by a Swedish military mission, being charged locally for Scotch whiskey.

The balloon, planet, star, or whatever it was looked exactly like one of the stratostat—or stratosphere balloons — which we had earlier seen floating across Russian skies at altitudes of up to 50,000 feet. Old-timers said that it was a daylight star, and that such things often were spotted in the rarefied air of the equatorial plateau.

Everybody reported the phenomenon [illegible]

Sat Eve Post, June 4, 1949

Flying Saucers

Re: Sid Shalett's excellent "Flying Saucer" article [WHAT YOU CAN BELIEVE ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS, Apr. 30—May 7].

It recalled to me an event in early October, 1935, just before the outbreak of hostilities in the Italo-[illegible] correspondent of [illegible] Ababa [illegible] ers. [illegible] tion [illegible] nce, in full daylight, of an object in the sky. It appeared to be a small, whitish sphere. Some swore it moved, to me it appeared stationary and remained at a great altitude. The superstitious natives saw omens for the coming war, the Swedish military mission whispered importantly of an Italian secret weapon and admitted they had no plane capable of climbing high enough to have a look.

I reported this to The New York Times, which put it on Page 1. Many other reporters also sent it. I have never heard any better explanation than that the object was a planet (Venus?) visible in the clear, thin air of Addis' high altitude. It remained visible for several days.

JOSEF ISRAELS, II

New York, N. Y.

Foreign
1947-1951

Aimé Michel, Lueurs sur les soucoupes volantes, pp. 122-26

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Mystery in the Sahara

The Tower of Tsuilen is in the Adrar-En-Ahnet, in the middle of the desert, 270 km (430 mi.) south of Acoulef and only 170 km. (275 mi.) from the Tropic of Cancer. It is a small isolated fort surrounded by barbed-wire emplacements, built near wells on the site of an ancient Kasba that was once a stopping-place for caravans from the Sudan.1/ A rocky cliff separates it from the eastern edge of the Tanezrouft road.

In 1942 a small detachment consisting of about ten men of the camel troops, two radio operators, and a meteorologist,2/ were in garrison there when, on April 4, a group commanded by Captain Louis Le Prieur arrived from the south, to rest there for three weeks.

"We had been there several days," this officer says, "when the non-commissioned officer meteorological officer came to me and drew my attention to the presence of a kind of 'planet' that could be seen vertically above the tower in a cloudless sky. The object was visible to the naked eye as a small aluminum-white point, and there were about 10 of us who saw it without difficulty, as the atmosphere was perfectly clear.

"Seen more precisely, with our field glasses and through the theodolite, the 'planet' looked like a small moon, or a five-franc piece. It showed pale reflections of white metal, and seemed to hang suspended at an altitude of 5000 or 6000 meters (15 or 20,000 feet).3/

1/ See Bulletin des liaisons sahariennes, December 1951

2/ The observer Martin.

3/ This is obviously a subjective impression, since there was no way to measure the height.

The discovery of visible saucers had been serious enough, since normal aircraft were helpless against them. But at least they could be seen and, if necessary, attacked with guided missiles. The discovery now of invisible flying saucers would be enough to frighten anyone.

When I got home I looked up the report Dawson had given me on the Nansei-shoto riddle. During World War II Dawson had been a Combat Information Center officer aboard an aircraft carrier. His job, like that of other CIC officers, was to direct fighter aircraft on task-force missions and to supply combat information to the task-force commanders. In the last year of the war he had taken part in the main Okinawa attack and helped direct numerous air strikes and antisub patrols in the last bloody struggle to crush Japan.

At the time covered by this report, Dawson's task force was patrolling the Nansei-shoto Archipelago, a group of rocky little islands south of Okinawa. Working with other task forces, their planes pounded the air bases on the Nansei-shoto Islands (Ryu Kyu Islands) to prevent their attacking our landing forces at Okinawa.

It was during this time that Dawson and the CIC men met the "ghost of Nansei-shoto."

It was a bright day with clouds scattered at 5000 feet. Down in the Combat Information Center of Dawson's carrier, he and two intercept officers sat before a huge round radarscope, its greenish-white glow reflecting on their faces. Watching the glass screen, Dawson could see all the task-force ships—the two carriers, with their escort cruisers and destroyers—and also all aircraft within a radius of 100 miles.

In front of the three officers was a large transparent plotting board. Two plotters with headphones stood ready to mark the position of any enemy aircraft.

To the rear, in a darkened cubicle, a Navy radar operator kept a constant watch on his scope. He reported every change at 30-second intervals.

On this particular day most of the task-force planes were absent on a support mission. Only 12 remained to protect the ship—four in the air and four on each of the two carriers' flight decks.

Dawson was checking the latest weather reports when one of the intercept officers gave an exclamation. Quickly Dawson looked toward the huge plexiglass plotting board. Marking down a new radar report, one plotter had just drawn a huge circled X at a point 120 miles from the carrier. Moments later he marked V1, beside it—the symbol for a very large blip.

Dawson grabbed a handphone connected with the radar operator.

"What's that large plot you just sent?" he demanded.

"Looks like 200 or 300 bogeys," the answer came back.

Seconds later a plotter penciled the ominous words on the board: 200 to 300 aircraft, unidentified.

Almost unable to believe the report, Dawson looked down at the scope before him. But there it was: a huge greenish-white blob now on the verge of the 100-mile circle.

He turned swiftly to one intercept officer.

"Try to get the speed estimate," he said. The officer made a quick check.

"I don't believe it," he stuttered.

"What is it?" said Dawson.

"It's 450 knots," the intercept officer told him.

For a moment intense quiet fell over the Combat Information Center. There was no plane on earth that could make 450 knots—almost 700 miles an hour. Or was it possible the Japs had somehow pulled a miracle and secretly built a huge force of supersonic planes?

It couldn't be—and Dawson knew it.

But no matter what it was, this was a mass raid coming in rapidly from the northeast. And all they had to oppose them were 12 inferior fighters. Quickly the CIC men flashed word to the bridge. A second later the "General Quarters" alarm clanged through the loud-speaker system. Up on the flight deck four engines roared into life.

Twelve propeller-driven fighters against that horde of fast mystery machines! It was pitifully small, Dawson thought grimly. Yet it was all they could do. As the eight remaining planes of the task force roared off toward the mystery raiders, Dawson looked again at the plotting board.

The unknown raiders, flying at 12,000 feet, were 80 miles away. Then, as Dawson watched, two "arms" began to extend like curving tentacles from the main body of the approaching mass. Dawson groaned. They were spreading out as if to cover the entire task force of Navy vessels.

At Dawson's direction the Navy planes—now 45 miles away—were flying at 15,000 feet. Tautly the CIC men watched the blips of the fighters as they neared the massed intruders.

"Bogeys now 20 miles," rapped one of the intercept officers, calling off the distance from the objects to the planes. And abruptly all three officers stared at one another. The visibility at that height was 10 miles. Long before now the mystery formation should have been sighted by the pilots.

"Bogeys now only 10 miles . . . five miles . . . three miles . . . look down, look down!"

For five or ten seconds the loud-speakers were silent. Then came the senior pilot's reply:

"Nothing in sight . . . no bogeys . . . nothing."

Dumbfounded, Dawson and the others sat still for a moment. The blips of the unknown craft were still racing toward the carriers and their escort ships. Hurriedly recalling the fighters, Dawson seized his phone and screamed the bridge of the impending attack.

"You're crazy!" the captain shouted. "There's nothing in sight. What the hell's going on down there?"

Dawson stared back at the scope. The raiders, closing at terrific speed, were now only five miles away. Dropping his phone, he ran out to the catwalk beside the flight deck.

But there was only empty, blue sky above.

Later Dawson learned that the fighter directors on the flagship also had seen the phantom machines on a radarscope. In the weeks that followed, other Navy CIC crews tracked similar invisible craft.

After the war the Navy officially confirmed the "ghost of Nansei-shoto." But even six years later, when I first met James Dawson, no explanation had ever been found—or at least made public.

"Whatever the answer," Dawson told me, "I hope they'll continue to be neutral. It's not a pleasant thing to sit there helplessly and watch those invisible aircraft close in on you."

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From N.Y. J-A, July 10, 1947

Tehran, Iran, July 9 (AP)— The flying saucer fever spread to Iran today. Press reports from Zabol[Zahal], Shoseh and Sarbisah, near the Afghan border, said the residents there had observed strange "star-like bodies" in the sky which exploded loudly, leaving a cloud of smoke.

The Newspaper Mehrf Iran said the objects apparently had something to do with a secret weapon, which it dubbed the "V-20."

'Flying Discs' Just Ad Stunt

Hundreds of 12-foot [illegible] board "flying discs," kept aloft on airplane as an advertising stunt [illegible] photograph turned [illegible] dropped and at least [illegible] merchant and residents of Hermosa Friday afternoon.

The discs, which carried those who caught them in a logo record, were seen dropping through the skies in all districts of the city, and hundreds of telephone calls streamed The Advertiser's switchboard asking their origin.

INFORMATION ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS IN PERU

Collected by Alejandro de la Jara for Leonard Stringfield, July 1958; translated from the Spanish by D. and A. Hebane.

The first appearance of flying saucers in Peru, apparently, was that which occurred on July 8, 1947. People living near Tiabaya, Arequipa (in the south of Peru) stated that at 8 P.M. they had seen, at high altitude, a strange swift-moving object enveloped in intense green light. (From the newspaper Ritisiat of Arequipa, July 14, 1947.)

On July 23, 1947, La Razón of Trujillo (northern Peru) stated that flying saucers had been seen in the sky above that city, but gave no further details.

In the town of Laby, some residents said they had seen various luminous objects crossing the sky from east to west, some days before the report, which appeared on Aug. 14, 1947.

(No information available for the next two and a half years.)

In Japan and Korea, notably during the Korean War, UFOs have often been sighted by U.S. Air Force and other military personnel.

October 18, 1948: The crew of an F-61 night fighter over Japan tracked an radar and saw the silhouette of a UFO shaped "like a rifle bullet" (cf., Mt. Hiimanjaro sighting, above) which repeatedly accelerated out of reach of the fighter. (Section VIII, Radar.)

Germany, in 1952, Major Arbor W. Hover, air attache of the German Embassy, answered a NICAP member's query: "I have been informed that no information with regard to your questions is available and that there is no official West German Government policy on matters concerning unidentified flying objects (UFOs)." "However," he concluded: "I am sorry to give you this reply and I think your request deals with a matter which has not yet been explored sufficiently." [60]

Over Kutaisi-Pokhvistk November 23, 1952, a bright red UFO was seen by a USAF pilot and tracked by ground and air radar. The UFO was clocked at 800 mph, and changed 23,000 feet in a matter of minutes, far exceeding the performance of any known aircraft. [See Section VII: Radar]

radar opt. "If a large, stationary ground object did this," he stated, "it would always do it and that would be familiar to the radar operator. If the [radar-detected] object were a meteorological condition such as an inversion layer of air, it is highly doubtful that the reflections would be regular enough to give a correlated appearance, and sharp enough to prevent the blip from spreading in a radial direction."

In summary, Mr. Monpas stated: "It may be said that highly specialized UFO patterns on radar scopes can be explained only by highly unusual or even impossible atmospherical conditions. In the case of inversions, it is further unlikely that a spatially-set condition would exist without the simultaneous presence of less specialized conditions that would immediately be recognizable as coming from an inversion."

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The "report of saucers" by Colonel Eggenberger—of the September 1949, at 10:12 a.m., is still one of the most serious reports of UFO's in Swiss skies. The value of his testimony is not simply that we can put complete confidence in the absolute objectivity of the observer (Colonel Eggenberger, who was unfortunately the victim of a tragic accident later, was an instructor of aviation troops and a meteorologist of merit), but that the sighting was made in full daylight, by means of field glasses. Colonel Eggenberger was following the flight of a student pilot when he saw behind the "Zooker" a flying object, of a clear metallic color, which had the shape of a disk and gave off a bright light; it was moving northeast-southwest at about 2000 metres (6500 feet) altitude. Considering the different coordinates, Colonel Eggenberger estimated the speed at as at least 1200 k/h (750 m/h).

Summer 1948; Goose Bay, Labrador

Major Edwin A. Jerome, USAF (Ret.) reported the following information to NICAP in 1951. Major Jerome was a Command Pilot, Air Provost Marshal (in charge of provost and also served as an Intelligence Officer and CID Investigator.

"My only real exposure with the UFO problem was my last, in the summer of 1948 while stationed at Goose Bay, Labrador. There, an incident happened which is worthy of note. It seems that a high-ranking inspection team was visiting the outer limbs of this base whose technical mission at the time was to serve as a prime refueling and servicing air base for all military and civilian aircraft plying the north Atlantic air routes. GCA (Ground Control Approach radar) was a critical part of this picture, then these high-ranking officers (USAF, & USAF up to the rank of General ... I recall).

"While inspecting the USAF radar shack, the operator noted a high-speed target on his scope coast from NE to SW. Upon computation of the speed it was found to be about 9000 mph. This incident caused much consternation in the shack since obviously this was no time for levity or miscalculations in the presence of an inspecting party. The poor Sarcasm technician was besought to look for his apparent miscalculation. Again the target appeared and this time the inspectors were wholly shown the apparition on the radar screen. The only reaction to this was that obviously the American equipment was way off calibration.

"The party then proceeded to the Canadian side to inspect the RCAF GCA facility. Upon their arrival the GEC related this most unbelievable target they had just seen. The inspecting officers were 'gruffed' but such a coincidence should happen. I was part of the escape intelligence reporting machinery at the time and I was called in to make an immediate airgrid intelligence report to the minister. The prevailing theory at the time was that it was a meteor. I personally discounted this since upon interviewing the radar observers he both, some of the base they stated that it maintained an altitude of 80,000 feet and a speed of approximately 9000 mph.

"To make this story more incredible the very next day both radars again reported an object hovering over the base at about 10 mph, at 65,000 feet. The 'official' story on this was that they were probably some type of 'high-flying research.' You must remember all these incidents happened before the days of fast high flying jets and missiles and the new commonplace altitude record-breaking helicopters."

(Mr.) Jerome then added: "On my second tour in Alaska [circa 1950], I became very familiar with the early warning and air defense systems on the DEW Line and Alaska Air Defense Sectors. Many times high speed unknown objects were discerned which could not be explained as normal air-breathing vehicles penetrating our sectors. Many of the citizens of Alaska along the Bering Sea Coast have reported seeing missile-like aircraft flying at very low altitudes at very high speeds. The AF denied the presence of Russian aircraft vehemently. When it was suggested that they might be extra-terrestrial everyone chimned up!")

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Saucer for Sale (It Flies)

Salesman's Pitch Includes 23-in. Pilot

[illegible]

Disk Shines Bright in Dixie

[illegible]

November 23, 1948; Furstenfeldbruck, Germany

An unidentified object resembling a rotating light was sighted east of the base at 2100 hours, local time. Capt. [illegible] reports deleted from Air Force reports] saw the UFO was moving south across Munich, turned southwest, then southeast. Not knowing the height, the speed could not be estimated, but it appeared to be traveling between 300 and 400 mph.

Capt. [illegible] reported the sighting to base operations, and the radar station checked its scope. An unidentified target, traveling 7000 mph... was detected, at 27,000 feet about 30 miles south of Munich. Capt. [illegible] revealed that the UFO was now visible in that area. Radar then reported that the target had climbed quickly to 58,000 feet and was circling 40 miles south of Munich.

N.Y. World-Telegram 3-14-50

Flying Whatisit Chases 2 Westerners in Car

They Won't Admit It Was a Saucer

May have been [illegible]

By the United Press. #137

DURANGO, Colo., March 14.—Two southern Colorado businessmen said today that they were chased by a strange flying object while returning last week from a trip to New Mexico.

Lloyd Locke of Durango and Harold Tanner of Cortez, Colo., said they had tried to keep the story quiet to avoid ribbing from friends.

Followed Their Car.

They said they were returning from Bloomfield, N. Mex., one night last week when the object began following their car. Both refused to call it a flying saucer.

"But it was too fast for a bird and too small for an airplane," Mr. Tanner said.

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J. De La Vega, a veteran employee of the airport commander's office, said he saw all four of the saucers. He said they appeared to be the size of a silver peso. Other observers guessed they were about 100 feet in diameter.

Moved in Straight Line. #13

At Monterrey the government airport inspector, Francisco Martinez Soto, said he watched a flying body which moved in a straight line from southwest to [illegible]

Saucer Reported Filmed in Color

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MEXICO CITY, March 18 (UP) —American cameramen who filmed a "shiny, fast-moving object" which many observers swore was a "flying saucer" said today the results would be delayed because their color film must be developed in the United States.

Homer Davis, Columbia Pictures publicist, said his professional cameramen ruined the black-and-white shots when they tried to develop the negatives yesterday. But the color film still was intact, he said, and would be sent back to the U. S. for processing.

Meanwhile this capital city of 2,500,000 was undergoing a siege of "sauceritis" which had hundreds of persons jamming downtown streets [illegible] skyward hunting [illegible]

Col. George [illegible] U. S. air attache in Mexico City, said he believed that all of the flying saucers "seen" over the city in recent weeks were really the planet Venus.

Si, Si Senor! There Were 'Flying Bodies'

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What You Can See at 4 a.m.!

DELHI, Ont., March 18—(CP) — Four Norfolk county residents claimed today that they saw a flying [illegible] about 4 a.m. today. Paul Repal, real estate and [illegible] agent; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hertel and Steve [illegible] described the object as a spinning disc which rose [illegible] out of sight. #14

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MEXICO

Pies in the Sky

In Mexico City's bustling Barrio Santa Maria, a huge crowd gathered, staring intently up into the sky. Dario Moctezuma joined the skygazers, but complained that he could see nothing. An obliging stranger threw an arm around his shoulder, pointed up—and sure enough, Dario thought he discerned a white globelike shape floating by. When his gaze returned earthward, he saw the stranger disappearing around the corner. Dario slapped the pocket where his wallet had been and began to yell: "*Policia, policia!*"

All over Mexico last week, pickpockets, adding a hyper-modern wrinkle to their

ement, at no cost, by writing to this magazine.

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ho are trying to give the U. S.
more control over American life.
tart," they say, "by taking
and services—the doctors, the

ancient profession, did a booming trade among crowds gathered to scan the skies for *plativolos* (flying saucers). For the saucer-hysteria that still flickers occasionally in the U.S. was sweeping Mexico.

From Yucatán came news that a large aluminum disc had been seen whizzing by at an altitude of a thousand feet. The most magnificent dispatch came from the northern state of Zacatecas: a farmer had found a large kite-shaped object in the mountains, with two passengers, each just under two feet tall. The Department of National Defense solemnly denied the existence of the midget visitors.

Others beside pickpockets made hay while the *plativolos* shone. Two employees of the Department of Communications and Public Works were fired for peddling fake photographs of discs to newspapers. A chiropractor advertised: "Stiff neck from looking at the saucers? Come and see me for a massage."

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T. WILLIAM (Ont.) DAILY TIMES-JOURNAL

Luminous 'Flying Saucer' Reported Seen at Lakehead

A "flying saucer" was seen last night over Fort William. The luminous object with a long, flame-like tail was seen by several residents in different sections of the city. Descriptions of the object indicate it was travelling in a westerly direction about 7:30 p.m.

Those who reported seeing the torpedo-like "ball of fire" all stated it was visible for a matter of seconds. All reports agreed that the object was trailing a bluish streak, which in one case seemed to be a smoke or vapor.

Two C.N.R. switchmen at the C.N.R. Neebing yards saw the object as they were eating their supper. Switchman Gus Cambly, 400 West Christina street, stated he happened to look out a window when he saw a "blue streak" in the sky.

Startled, he couldn't say anything. He pointed out the window and ran for the door, followed closely by Switchman Earl Gray, 332 East Christina street.

Cambly stated the object was "

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pedo-like, about the color of a star on a bright night."

Streaking towards the west, its most distinctive feature, he said, was the "long, blue streak," which trailed it. He saw it only two or three seconds before it disappeared over the horizon. It was going "very fast."

Earl Gray said he didn't get a clear look at the object itself, but he saw the streak of light which formed its tail before it disappeared.

Albert Johnson, 275 East Brook street, C.N.R. operator at the Neebing yards, stated the switchmen were just telling him about the object when he got a call from R. Rusnak, operator at Kaweno, 120 miles west of Fort William, who said he saw a "saucer."

Johnson said the Kaweno operator reported the object was travelling west when he first saw it, but it looped towards the south and disappeared over the southern horizon.

It was indicated Rusnak must have seen the object about five minutes

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Flying Saucer

(Continued from Page One)

after it was seen here by the switchmen.

Cambly, who judged the object to be about "three feet long," said he heard no noise from the "saucer." The tail, he added, was about 75 feet long in relation to the size of the object when he saw it.

Mike Wirstiuk looked up from his coal-laden barrow at about 7:35 p.m. last evening when he was taking coal in from his backyard on Hargrave street and saw a "flaming, solid ball of fire" streaking to the southwest.

He watched the object, he said, for about 15 seconds as it went over clouds and broke into clear view again.

Wirstiuk, a worker at the Canadian Car plant, estimated the height of the flying saucer at about 2,000 feet. It presented itself as about eight feet in diameter, with "a swirling, turbine-like smoke or vapor," trailing at the rear.

"It wasn't an optical illusion," Wirstiuk stated. He said he watched its brilliancy dim as it passed over clouds, then appear in the blue sky in all its burning brightness.

Other witnesses came forth today with similar descriptions of the object. One radio newsman, John Friesen, said it could have been a skyrocket except that the head was an aura of flame," and that it travelled in level flight.

Far away, Joseph McCoy, 292 Christina street, was carrying in the lane when he saw "a big object shooting flame," streak the sky beyond Mount McKay, disappear. McCoy rushed into the and told his wife, "It kind of startled me," he said. "I never had believed in those things."

All reports coincided as to the time element. All witnesses saw the object at 7:35 or 7:40 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. John Elrick, 1729 Ellis street, also witnessed the phenomenon. Mr. Elrick said the object

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Constable Gould stated he and Mr. Tonge just happened to glance into the sky at the same time. He saw the object but said nothing until Mr. Tonge remarked: "Say, did you see that? That's a flying saucer."

Constable Gould said he could not guess at the speed of the object because he had no idea how high it was. But it was travelling fast. He said he did not see any smoke or flame trailing from it.

Saw Flying Saucer Here Last Night

THESE four persons reported today that they saw a flying saucer pass over Port Arthur last night about 7.45. The two girls, Patsy McLeod, left, and Carol Purkis, were walking along St. James Street near their homes when they saw the round, greenish-colored object flying towards Fort William. Constable Ernest Gould and Currie Tonge, lower right, were standing at the corner of St. Paul and Arthur Streets, when they saw what was apparently the same object flying in a southerly direction above the Canadian Bank of Commerce building. The object was reported seen from several other sources.

SAW VAPOR

Mr. Tonge said he did see vapor or smoke trailing behind it. He thought it would be going about 100 miles an hour. It appeared to be floating and moving in the direction of South Cumberland Street.

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When the three objects were seen at 4:28, Mr. Evans said, they didn't come near the airport but appeared to be directly over Inter-city. They were seen on both occasions for a period of minutes.

If they come back again today, the airmen at Fort William will at least have a better look at them. For they have obtained a number of strong field glasses to watch them from a tower in one of the hangars.

Two of the men who saw the objects over Lake Superior this morning were W. Pearson and Ed Hosking. Mr. Pearson said the two objects were round and shiny. He said they did not appear to be moving. Each, he estimated they would be between 3,000 and 4,000 feet high.

Dozens of persons have stated they saw a flame-green round object pass through the sky at a fast speed around 7:48 p.m. Tuesday.

It was seen clearly as round and emitting streaks of smoke or vapor by at least six Port Arthur residents.

Many at Fort William and several others throughout the district.

Two switchmen at the C.N.R. Mission yards, Gus Cassidy, 408 West Christine Street, Fort William, and Emil Graf, 338 East Clarissa Street, saw they saw it as they were eating supper.

FRIGHTENED GIRLS

Gladys Macleod, 335a Bay Street, said yesterday that the "flying saucer" seen above Port Arthur Tuesday night frightened her and a girl friend so badly that they ducked in a theatre doorway. They had just come out of the Colonial theatre on Bay Street, Miss MacLeod said, when she felt her friend tugging at her coat and directing her attention to the sky. The "saucer" seemed to be coming right at them until it veered course and disappeared in the direction of Fort William.

Miss MacLeod's description of the object tallied with that given by a number of other witnesses—a bright, green spherical thing. She thought she heard a sound "like a swarm of bees." The object was "very bright" and had a fiery tail.

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The Mystery of the Flying Blue Flame---

Honolulu Residents by the Score See It; Astronomer Gives Version

Reports Differ on Color, Speed and Sound of Object

STAR-BULLETIN

What was the "greenish or bluish" light seen flying across Honolulu skies Wednesday night? Was it a shooting star? A meteor? A comet? Fighter airplane? A lighted weather balloon that had been released at Honolulu airport at 11:05 p.m. Wednesday?

Speculation today continues brisk, for following publication of first reports Friday, several people phoned The Star-Bulletin to report that they had seen the same "flying flame."

But, as one of the belated observers admitted, "I work in the psychopathic ward of a hospital. I was afraid that if I reported seeing the thing, I'd have been considered

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PROBABLY NOT BALLOON

The weather bureau doubts that its balloon was the object in question. Its light was only a tiny penlight flashbulb, and the balloon was blown toward Hickam air force base, rather than town.

At least 20 persons reported they saw the light speeding toward Waikiki.

Glen K. Obama, 2267 Kaha place, an army intelligence war veteran, estimated its speed as perhaps 300 miles an hour. He said it travelled at an upward angle of 15 to 20 degrees.

Alice Goo, 2330 Dole St., saw the object at 11:20 p.m. from the University of Hawaii campus. She said it was "green and seemed to burst into sparks of flares and disappeared."

One witness said it disappeared with a "crackling sound like thunder," but several others said they heard no noise whatsoever.

'SLEEK AND SMOOTH'

Mrs. Elizabeth Baker, of 3558 Woodlawn drive, said "it was predominantly blue and made no sound." She called the light "sleek and smooth."

Another person, who described the light as "green or blue," added another comment: "There seemed to be a red, winking light with it."

YELLOW AND BLUE

Sgt. E. C. Corn said today he was sitting at the gate to the Kapiolani drive in theater Wednesday night when the flying flame was sighted.

"It looked like a moon, yellow, then as it came over, it turned a diamond blue with a bit of red in it."

At the end of its flight of about five seconds, he said, it disintegrated slowly, then went out suddenly. Large chunks broke off. He said it was the most tremendous thing he had ever seen, and positively identified it as a meteor.

Clarence P. Horimoto, 36, an accountant, said he saw the light about 11:05 as he was driving home along Ala Moana.

"I was just passing the stoplight at Ft. Armstrong, going toward Waikiki, when I happened to see this greenish light. I kept it in sight until it reached Kewalo.

"Then it just seemed to fizzle out, like a rocket. The speed of it was too fast for an airplane. It travelled in a straight line, horizontally. It didn't burst at the end, it just went out."

ANOTHER POLICE REPORT

Capt. Andrew Miller, captain of the Hawaiian ordnance depot civilian police, reported Friday night that three of his officers got him out of bed Wednesday night to tell him they saw a strange light in the sky.

"Their descriptions were about the same as those reported by the Honolulu police and firemen," Capt. Miller said.

He said the officers saw the light about 11:20 p.m. Wednesday.

The calls to The Star-Bulletin were made to corroborate the earlier report that three firemen and two policemen had seen a flying flame in the sky at that time.

"WE'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT before," an officer Obed Mansfield, left, and Fire Lt. Manuel Paiva of a strange, illiant flame they saw Wednesday night about 11. The two men were at the Kaimuki fire station when they saw the flame, "traveling from Pearl Harbor in the Waikiki direction at a terrific rate of speed." Firemen James Kapuniai, Tomo Mitsuka and Policemen Wray Straus and David Straus are with the flame. Officer Straus was in the Waikiki area when he saw it and Officer Hill said he was at Koko head when he observed the "thing."—Star-Bulletin photo.

Inquiring Reporter Asks:

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What About These Flying Saucers?

If somebody asked you, "What do you think these 'flying saucers' are?", what would you say?

You'd probably say something like what one of the following seven people said Friday night when The Star-Bulletin's Inquiring Reporter stopped them on the street, asked the question.

Their replies:

Milton Rezentes, 23, kitchen worker at Kilauea Military camp, Hawaii—"I've given it quite a lot of thought. It could be some kind of secret aircraft from some foreign country. But when it comes to talk about some other planet, I can't believe that."

Jack "Splare," 21, Pearl Harbor yeoman, Granger, Tex.—"I've never seen any myself and until I see one myself I'm keeping an open mind."

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Earl Scott, 20, Pearl Harbor yeoman, Tupelo, Miss.—"Somebody said they saw a flying saucer and about 20 million other people saw them too. They're just seeing things. If I saw one myself I wouldn't believe it."

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Marie Powelson, Moana hotel, Santa Ana, Calif.—"I think it's some experimental thing, but I don't think it's from another planet. I think that the air force, perhaps, knows more than we do, but they're not saying anything about it."

David Soh, 36, warehouseman, 1521-B Pele St.—"I hadn't thought about it much until they were reported here. I don't think that it's just people's imagination. They really saw something. I don't know what they saw and I wouldn't try to guess."

Amy Arakaki, 19, waitress, 1963 Connecticut Ave.—"A friend of mine said that after every war strange things happen. He figures these things are coming from another planet. Maybe it's a sign of war."

E. K. Brown, 44, ship's officer, 1728 Lusitana St.—"I was on Molokai Thursday and over there they say that what people saw was skua lele, a shooting star. I haven't seen them myself."

Probably Meteor, Says E. H. Bryan, Amateur Stargazer

Honolulu's "flying whatzit"—a "greenish or bluish flame" seen flying across Honolulu skies Wednesday night by at least 20 people—may not be a mystery after all.

To amateur astronomer Edwin H. Bryan Jr. it sounds as if the spotters may have seen a meteor, more commonly known as a shooting star.

From reports printed in The Star-Bulletin Friday and this morning, Mr. Bryan concluded that the mysterious "flying whatzit" sounds like one of the solar system's outer space visitors.

A meteor travels at a considerable speed, gives off a blue-green light, and sometimes cracks at the end of its path across the sky, Mr. Bryan says.

DEPENDS ON DIRECTION

"It depends on the direction the meteor is moving," he said. "If it is moving in the same direction as the earth is rotating, it will move slowly across the sky—at a speed of a few hundred miles an hour."

"If it is moving in the opposite direction of the earth's rotation, the speed across the sky will be very great."

It's like two cars passing one another on the road, he said. If they are going in the same direction, the passing car will be moving slowly in relation to the other car.

If they speed past one another going in opposite directions, their speed in relation to one another will be great. And often there will be a loud roar as they pass.

"There's really no way of verifying the reports, though," he added.

But from the description by observers it could very well have been a meteor moving in the same direction as the earth," he explained.

'FLYING SAUCER' IS GETTING MORE SERIOUS COMMENT

William H. Ewing, chief of The Star-Bulletin's Washington bureau, will broadcast tonight on serious aspects of the flying saucers.

He says that reports of these elusive aerial missiles are being given renewed and serious consideration in military and political quarters.

He cites responsible individuals who have reported seeing these missiles.

He says that the air force has quietly taken up again the study of these flying saucers after stradding the matter in an inconclusive report a year ago.

"The flying saucers have ceased to be a joke," says Mr. Ewing.

Mr. Ewing broadcasts each Wednesday and Saturday evening via transcription over KGMB.

RALPH PEEVER

'Flying Saucer' Cavorts At Campbellford

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CAMPBELLFORD, March 27— (CNS)— Mrs. Jack Tinney, Front St., rubbed her eyes and took a second look Saturday night when she saw a glowing object cavorting about the early morning sky east of Campbellford. She called the attention of her husband to the strange thing. He promptly dismissed it as an airplane, but when the object stopped over one spot, then darted straight up, twisted and started off at high speed at right angles to its upwards course, he promptly changed his mind.

The two watched the sight for a few minutes before deciding to call the attention of others to the strange goings-on. They called Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Peever, at whose home they had been playing cards that evening, and asked them to see if they noticed anything strange in the sky. They both noticed the thing immediately and the foursome watched the object continue its show of aerobatics in the darkened sky.

Not trusting to their senses they decided to call in some more witnesses, so aroused Mr. and Mrs. Howard Emby from their bed and asked them to come out and watch that section of the sky in which the saucer was cavorting. These two also spotted it right away. The women by this time had become nervous and awestruck at seeing a thing they could not comprehend. None of the six persons believed there was anything to the numerous flying-saucer reports that are floating about the country, but here was a sight that could not be explained. They tried to [illegible]

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Stays In Same Location

It was 1 a.m. when the object was first sighted by Mrs. Tinney. The six people watched the thing, which gave off a yellowish-green light, until 3.15 when it darted off in an easterly direction. The saucer in all its antics always seemed to stay in the same general location where it was first sighted. The light it gave off seemed to grow in intensity, then diminish to nearly nothing, before growing brighter again. The light was much brighter than a star, and on looking away from the object for a few minutes, it could be easily sighted on looking back. At some times there seemed to be a reddish colored light on the top.

Hard To Convince

Mr. Peever said, "I'm hard to convince when it comes to flying-saucers, and up until Saturday night I thought it was a lot of bunk, but we sure did see something that wasn't a star or a plane and it certainly was moving under some sort of control because of the way it would stop, then start off again at a great speed, and suddenly go shooting off in another direction. The thing went straight up and stopped and then shot straight down again, travelling somewhat east all the time."

After watching the disc for more than two hours Mr. Peever called a reporter and also the Control Tower at Trenton Air Station. The officer in charge of the Trenton Control tower became very interested in the thing and asked for the general location of the light so that Trenton could get a bearing on it. He denied that any aircraft of Trenton station were in the air at that time, and said as far as he knew (and he should know) there were no planes anywhere near that section then.

The witnesses had first thought of saying nothing about the strange circular light, but when they all saw the same thing, they knew they couldn't be wrong, and thought someone else must have seen it at some point further east.

"I'm afraid people will think we are all crazy," Mr. Emby said, "but that thing sure put on a show for us for quite a while, and while I'm still not convinced it was a flying saucer, I don't know what else it could have been."

These people live on Front St. in Campbellford near the fair grounds.

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Saucer" In E. Ontario

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6 See It At 2,000 Feet

Campbellford, March 27 — (Special) — Six persons said they saw a strange glowing light do aerobatics 2,000 feet above Campbellford early Sunday morning.

Although "afraid people will think we're crazy," they said the object must have been a flying saucer.

It darted about like a high-altitude humming bird, the observers reported. All they could see of it was the light, which changed from yellowish-green to red. They watched it from 1 a.m. until 3.15 a.m., when it zoomed away toward the east.

Mrs. Jack Tinney spotted it first, then called her husband's attention to it. They both concluded it was moving much too fast and erratically for an airplane, so asked two other couples—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Peever and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Emby—to take a look at the sky.

All saw the stunting object, and all watched its entire performance with amazement.

"We're certain it wasn't a star or a plane or northern lights, and it certainly was moving under some sort of control," said Mr. Peevers.

"It would hover, whirl, stop, then start off again at great speed. Suddenly it would shoot straight up, stop, and shoot straight down again."

Mr. Peevers phoned the control tower at Trenton Airport. The officer on duty there confirmed there were no Trenton planes in Campbellford area, nor any other plane to his knowledge.

Saucer Salesmen End Up In Jail

BELLO HIROZONTE, Brazil, March 22—(RUP)—Two slick Yankee salesmen in Brazil outsmarted themselves.

They had been selling "flying saucers" for 10 dollars each, promising delivery at a future time. They actually got two saucers. And the firm of Silver and Smith responded if the saucers would be delivered if the clients had a little patience.

The clients had no patience at all, and spotted police, Silver and Souza are behind bars.

Five Objects Seen in Sky From Airport

Not one, not two, but five "unusual" objects, were watched by airport employees here this afternoon at about 2:45 o'clock, as "brilliant white" balls of fire streaked at "terrific" speeds above the airport and off to the northeast.

"At first they thought it was a bird. "But a bird couldn't possibly fly that fast," said Flying Club manager Norman Evans. "There were no wings visible, and they were white, a brilliant white, while a bird will seem dark against the sky."

Engineer Frank Kearney also witnessed the sight of one of the objects "like a brilliant white star in the daytime," that streaked over the top of the airport high in the sky.

He said it travelled over to Lake Superior, then was joined from nowhere by four more, then all five came back and circled, after which they set off for the northeast.

"We thought they were sea gulls at first, but they were awfully bright and going too fast for a bird," Kearney said.

Trans-Canada Airlines officials witnessed the phenomenon. Said one: "I never saw anything like it before. I won't say it was a flying saucer, but it sure was unusual. It's speed must have been terrific."

A TCA radio operator who watched the five white balls of fire and agreed that they couldn't have been birds. "They were very white and flying at a terrific rate." MAR 29/50

Saucers Reported Over Lakehead Sky

PORT WILLIAM, Ont. (CP)—Airport employees said yesterday they watched five "unusual" objects streaking through the sky like "brilliant white balls of fire" at about 2:45 p.m. They thought the first object was a bird.

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Several residents in different sections of the city Tuesday night reported seeing a luminous object with a long, flame-like tail.

The witnesses said it was visible for a matter of seconds, and that it was trailing a bluish cloud. One said the streak looked like smoke or vapor.

Small Saucer In Ontario

KAPUSKA, Ont., March 28 (CP)—Mrs. Gary Hawker of Kapuska said she saw a "fiery greenish-tinged rocket" flashing across the sky on Wednesday night at 8:45 p.m.

The object, which appeared about 7:45 p.m. was two to three feet long and flying low. It disappeared to the northwest.

Earlier a Fort Frances couple said they had seen a "strange object with a large tail" at about 8 p.m. the same evening. They, too, said it was travelling northwest. Kapuska is roughly due west of Nipigon.

The Fort Frances couple, Mr. and Mrs. John Thomson, said they "hesitated to mention it at the time, and had been waiting for someone else to report it."

Both witnesses said the "object" was a few feet long and flying low.

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"Flying Saucers" In [illegible] Directions Over [illegible] Mediterranean

By Reuters

LONDON, March 30.—Flying saucers, variously described as full moons, moons with wakes of fire, or strange bodies emitting smoke trails, have been reported skittering in all directions across the heavens above the Mediterranean.

In Haifa today, reports circulated that they had been seen over northern Israel.

A Lebanese pilot who took Lebanese prime minister Riad es Sohl to the Arab League conference in Cairo, said he had seen them over Acre—travelling at a high speed in a westerly direction. Others described them as "discs travelling northward at a great altitude and emitting a smoke trail."

Italy reported that they had been sighted over various parts of the country five times yesterday.

At Salo, on Lake Garda, they were "as large as a full moon streaking across the sky in a north-easterly direction."

In the marble town of Carrara, "four saucers, three miles up, flying southward from the direction of La Pacsia," were sighted.

In the Centanzaro area of Calabria in southernmost Italy the disc, moving westward, was described as "like a moon with a wake of fire."

"In Cagliari, on the island of Sardinia, eyewitnesses said the saucer remained suspended over the city for 30 seconds before disappearing towards the south.

And from Val Daosta in northern Italy 15 persons vouched for the presence of a "saucer."

Saucers were observed yesterday at Addis Ababa, the Ethiopian capital; at Santiago de Chile; over Nicosia airport, Cyprus; over Bogata Medellin and Cali, all in western Colombia; and at the northern Caribbean port of Barranquilla.

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More 'Flying Saucers' In Mediterranean, Orient

By Reuters

LONDON, March 29.—Flying saucers—variously described as like full moons, moons with wakes of fire, or strange bodies emitting smoke trails—have been reported skittering in all directions across the heavens above the Mediterranean.

In Haifa today, reports circulated that they had been seen over northern Israel.

A Lebanese pilot who took Riad es Sohl, Premier of Lebanon, to the Arab League conference in Cairo, said he had seen them over Acre traveling at a high speed in a westerly direction. Others described them as "discs traveling northward at a great altitude, and emitting a smoke trail."

Italy reported that they had been sighted over various parts of the country five times yesterday. 3-28-50

HONG KONG, March 29 (AP)—American seamen telephoned The China Mail that they saw three "flying fireballs" when their ship entered Hong Kong Harbor Monday. Nobody else saw any flying fireballs, the newspaper found.

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Within 250 Feet

Sent 4/50 by R.F. Ray
FT. WILLIAM, Ont

"Flying Disk" Swoops On Steep Rock Miners

#1329

Reports that came in today from Steep Rock indicated the same "flying saucer" was seen within five or ten minutes at Terrace Bay, Fort William and Atikokan.

At Steep Rock iron Mines Tuesday night, more than 20 workers in the Errington pit watched in astonishment as a round, bright white object, 50 to 60 feet in diameter, swooped to within 250 feet of Mosher Point overlooking "B" orebody at 8.35 (CST) p.m.

They described the object as bluish or tear-shaped, with a pale bluish-green tail.

It performed an upward sweep as it neared Mosher Point, and sped away out of sight.

A similar object was seen by Terrace Bay residents at 7.30 p.m. (EST) and again by lakehead citizens a few minutes later. It was travelling in a westerly direction.

Chad Taylor, CNR operator at Atikokan was wired by Kawene operator about the apparition, and two minutes later saw it himself. Unless the height were great, this would made its speed at that time 480 miles an hour. Taylor said he saw fragments break off in sparks.

Tom Stewart, a citizen of Atikokan since 1912, was sitting on his verandah when he saw the object "about 300 feet high." He said it appeared "as big as the moon," and was a bright silvery blue with a short tail.

Sven Knutsen, a drill foreman at the mine, along with other workers, thought the "saucer" was going to crash into the pit wall, it seemed so low. He and the others estimated it to be 50 or 60 feet in diameter with the greenish light coming from its tail.

It appeared to explode over Steep Rock Lake as fragments broke away and glowed independently for a while.

They said its speed was about 600 miles per hour. Les Campbell, foreman, called it a white ball of fire, with a bluish tinge, that passed overhead in a straight line at an altitude of 300 feet.

Joe White, of the Steep Rock engineering staff, drew a sketch from the numerous eye-witness accounts. It showed a circle, silvery white, fading to a darker color with the pale bluish-green tail.

District Reports "Flying Saucer"

F-29 Port William 1/c APRIL 1/50

For two days now no more flying saucers have been seen here but reports continue to come in from district points concerning what apparently was the same object which passed over Port Arthur and Fort William Tuesday night.

A round, bright white object was seen by several miners at the Steep Rock Iron Mine, 120 miles west of here, Tuesday about 6.30 p.m. A similar object was seen by Terrace Bay residents at about 7.30. Shortly after 7.30 a greenish-blue round object passed over Quimet and at about 7:40 it was seen over Port Arthur and Port William.

Joe White of the Steep Rock engineering staff, drew a sketch from the numerous eye-witness accounts. It showed a circle, silvery white, fading to a darker color with a pale bluish-green tail.

Aluminum Covered Man Lands in Saucer—It Says

FRANKFURT, Germany, April 1 (AP)—German newspaper readers got their eyes full of flying saucers today.

The Cologne Neue Illustrierte published a picture of a tiny aluminum covered man in a saucer which crash-landed. The report said an American air-craft sergeant shot the saucer down and the picture showed two persons holding the little aluminum man by the hand.

German newspapers always have just loved April Fool's Day.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 1950

CAN'T IGNORE SAUCER REPORTS

On Tuesday night and yesterday afternoon some unusual "things" were streaking across the skies above Fort William. Call them flying saucers or by any other name, they existed outside the imaginations of men and women.

As in the case of the strange speeding object observed by several Hymers residents watched last year, the bright round things with a trailing bluish tail which startled Fort William people yesterday and the night before were not the products of rumors. Men, separated by considerable distances, and not acquainted one with the other, reported seeing the strange spectacle at the same time, and their descriptions were identical. At the airport yesterday, at least a dozen men watched the flights of five brilliant "lights" manoeuvring in the daylight sky.

Persons who pride themselves because they have rational minds find it difficult to accept all the stories about flying saucers being manned by people from another planet. Maybe the rational thing to do is to dismiss all reports as nonsense.

But so many reliable people are among the witnesses, it is no longer possible to ignore entirely the possibilities that some aerial survey of the earth is being taken by personalities from some other part of the universe.

TCA Officials See 'Unusual' Flying Discs

#1230

FORT WILLIAM, March 30—(CP)—Airport employes said they watched five "unusual" objects streaking through the sky like "brilliant, white balls of fire" at about 1.45 p.m. yesterday.

They thought the first object was a bird.

"But a bird couldn't possibly fly that fast," said flying club manager Norman Evans.

"There were no wings visible but they were white—a brilliant white. A bird will seem dark against the sky."

[illegible] when it disappeared from view behind the mountains.

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Tea Is Served Aboard HMS Flying Saucer

#1193

LONDON, April 1 (AP)—The British, who have been feeling superior to such things, have come down in great numbers with a case of flying saucer jitters.

A bus conductor was the first yesterday to report by telephone to the Air Ministry [illegible]

[illegible]

#1344

In April, 1950, a flying saucer was seen at Chiclayo, at an altitude of 30,000 feet above the CORPAC airport. Since the disc was stationary, a civilian pilot, Juan Pardo de Miguel (an engineer) and the commander of the Peruvian Air Force, Garcia Romero, went up in the engineer's small plane. They climbed for an hour, and for another hour followed the maneuvers of the luminous disc. Pardo de Miguel said that these maneuvers proved that the object was intelligently controlled. He could not get as close to the object as he would have liked, because of insufficient power; his plane was capable only of 16,000 feet, while the saucer was at 30,000. It looked like a plane seen at a distance of 20 km. but its shape was that of a flattened disc. When the pilots attempted to close in upon it, it changed its course and was hidden in a cloud; when the pilots took their plane into the cloud, the object had disappeared. But it appeared again above the airport on the following day—at noon, as before. It was observed through fieldglasses for four hours. During this time it changed its position by only 50 kilometers, in the direction 262-264° North.

#1345

OBSERVATION OF FLYING SAUCER, BLACKPOOL (ENGLAND), 1950

This observation was made at about 1:45 A.M. on a mild night in April, 1950--the exact date cannot be recalled--by Mr. Donald S. Sharpe, who was employed in a circus at this west-of-England seaside resort. He and several of his co-workers were on one of the piers when they noticed a luminous object in the western sky (i.e., over the Irish Sea.) This object hovered motionless for the first minute or more after it was first seen. It appeared elliptical, the major axis horizontal and about equal in apparent size to the diameter of the full moon. Evidently it was actually a discoidal object seen approximately "edge-on", since a row of four or five equally-spaced "portholes" could be seen, as the sketch indicates. These "portholes" emitted spreading beams of brilliant white light, illuminating the thin cloud layers beneath; the body of the object glowed with a softer silvery luminescence, and around the far edge a glow or halo was visible. No other structural details were apparent. The object was not rotating. Presently it began a series of back-and-forth movements, rushing at great speed toward the observers and then back again, and also performed vertical oscillations. However, it never tipped, but maintained at all times the original horizontal orientation; and it never showed any sign of rotation. After it had been under observation for a total of three or four minutes, it dashed out of sight at immense speed.

Residents of the town, when informed of the phenomenon, commented that something similar had been seen at least twice during the preceding twelvemonth.

Sketch based on eyewitness's drawing (original attached)

COMMENT: This was told by the witness to A.D. Mebane early in Jan., 1956, in Cord's restaurant at Broadway and 95th St., where Mr. Sharpe was working as a night waiter. He impressed A.D.M. as being a competent witness of above-average intelligence and complete honesty. He is of English origin, perhaps a British subject still. His address in New York at the time was 35 Christopher St.

Explanations: Hoax seems out of the question. Terrestrial aircraft or balloons seem remote in appearance and behaviour from this object. Venus was not in the western sky after dark, inferior conjunction having occurred on Feb. 1, 1950. Searchlights, the witness emphasized, were not active at that time of light, and in any case could not account for the clearly-observed detail. Mirage would have to originate in Ireland, as Blackpool has an entirely unobstructed western vista over the Irish Sea. The observation may therefore be classed as rigorously authentic.

#1253

NEW YORK WORLD-TELEGRAM

House Chairman Tables Saucer Tales But Colleague Says He's Seen One

No Such Thing, Truman Asserts

By the United Press

WASHINGTON, April 5.—One House member who should know said today there is no such thing as a flying saucer. But another member, equally qualified, said he's seen one—and he has seen one himself.

Rep. George H. Mahon (D., Tex.), chairman of the House Military Appropriations subcommittee, said it just isn't so what they say about those disks. He had no concrete evidence—but the soldiest kind of support.

No Word From Military.

Mr. Mahon put it this way:

"I guess my subcommittee would know if there were anything to this flying saucer business. We even knew about the atomic energy experiments several years before the story was told.

"I am quite sure the military establishment would have told us if they were working on such a thing as a saucer. But the fact is they haven't said a word about it."

Truman Denies It All.

President Truman, Defense Secretary Louis Johnson, the chiefs of staff of the Armed Services, and the Navy all have denied any knowledge of the saucer reports.

Rep. Albert J. Engel (R., Mich.), is the man who says he saw one. A member of Mr. Mahon's appropriations committee, he also is a candidate for Governor of Michigan.

He said the fast, disk-like object he saw flying over Michigan last summer at night was not a star, as several other citizens, all of them sober and well-thought-of people, also reported.

Two of them [illegible] a plane, but the third, he said, was too high for that. It was just there.

[illegible] Propaganda Value Doubted

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SAUCER SEEN 4/5 AT MANNVILLE

MANNVILLE, April 5 — Peter Bellah, Mannville farmer, joined the favored few, Thursday evening when he reported having seen one of the mysterious flying saucers.

Mr. Bellah said it sped across the sky at about the speed of an airliner, then suddenly disappeared.

FLYING SAUCER HOVERS HOUR FOR GOOD VIEW

ABILENE, Kan., April 5 (Reuters) — Thousands of people here thought they saw a disc, which hovered stationary over the city for one hour and 25 minutes and then disappeared to the north.

The crowds gaped when, according to eyewitnesses, something was clearly seen detaching itself from the disc and then wheeling away.

The disk was at first thought, looking at first like a comet.

In bright sunshine the crowds could see its circular shape distinctly.

A "strange object resembling two large hoops, one inside the other," was reported.

Report Flying Saucer Over Rochfort Bridge

4/6/50

Bingo No. performance standards for farm animals have been established, it would seem credible that the flitting disc might have the ability to disappear in mid-air or at least become invisible.

A delayed report of a saucer sighted at Rochfort Bridge, which occurred at 8:00 p.m. Monday, April 10, includes that some saucers may be possessed of a jetzril and Hyde nature. At least three Albertans claim they actually saw the saucer in flight. Two others say they saw the vapor trail left by the high-flying object.

Edmonton salesman Bill McKay, standing conversing with storekeeper Frank Jolly of Rochfort Bridge and another witness, claims to have seen a disc-shaped object, "about the size of a quarter," go hurtling in a perfectly straight line across the sun-lit sky. A wide vapor trail, "about the width of an automobile," was visible.

After rapidly traversing part of the sky within view of the witnesses, the disc, said Mr. McKay, suddenly ceased its disappearance. The whitish vapor trail hung in the heavens, dramatically motionless.

Perhaps significantly, there was absolutely no sound. It was, in the words of Mr. McKay, "completely silent."

The vapor trail later was observed and reported by travelers Roy Sheppard and A. Shandell, both of Edmonton. Driving into Onoway, almost two hours after sighting the disc, Mr. McKay could still clearly observe the slowly-dispersing vapor trail.

Summing up his experience, Mr. McKay stated, "I had never actually believed any of these flying saucer stories before, but now I've seen one—well, I just can't scoff any more."

From Edmonton Journal Sept. 17th 50
Canada

French Soldier Plans To Be 'Flying Saucer'

PARIS, April 16 (UP)—Leo Valentin, a tough sergeant-major in the French army who hopes to be the world's first one-man flying saucer, has revealed during his campaign for publicity that he and his wings are going to fly through the air at the International air show April 20. He plans to jump off an airplane at 15,000 or 20,000 feet.

Instead of falling at a fast clip, Valentin said in highly colloquial French that he will float down like a feather.

Valentin has been given special leave from the army to train as a parachutist. For the past couple of weeks he has been jumping off trees in the countryside near Paris—or that, at least, is the rumor.

"But when you're a potential secret weapon," one of his army superiors explained, "it's not possible to give all the details. Parts of Valentin are highly censored."

SHOWS WINGS

However, Valentin deigned to show off his wings. They are made of whalebone — "just like the whalebone in a corset," he said — and canvas.

"Now, the nice thing about my wings," he told reporters, "is that they are both flexible and membranous. This is extremely important, because in that way the air can pass through the wings."

Valentin said the fatal mistake made by the last man who tried to make like a bird in public was that his wings weren't porous. Valentin has all the evidence on the subject of an American named Clem Sohn who was dashed to his death before the war in an experiment near Wiesbaden on the outskirts of Paris.

Over Rochfort Bridge

Since no performance standards for flying saucers have been established, it would seem creditable that the hurtling discs might have the ability to disappear in mid-air, or at least become invisible.

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EDMONTON JOURNAL MON. APR 17 1950

'Saucers' Claimed Russian Missiles

[illegible] (UP)—Edward de [illegible], publisher of the Intelligence Digest in London, declared today flying saucers may be discharges from supersonic missiles launched in Russia.

In a broadcast over a Toronto radio station de Courcy said yesterday's flight explained that it is based on information he has received from intelligence experts behind the Iron Curtain.

'HAM' RADIO REPORT OF 'FLYING SAUCER' CRASH IN HAWAII

A tale of a "flying saucer" that crashed into the side of a cliff on one of the Hawaiian Islands was relayed to St. Louis area radio "hams" yesterday by the operator of station KH6LZ, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Henry Chrun, 699 Riverview boulevard, quoted the amateur as saying the saucer, about 15 feet high and 20 feet in diameter, had five steps "like on an old-fashioned hunter's hat" and had six holes on each side, giving it the appearance of a musical top.

The saucer was said to have been half-buried in the cliffside and a nearby resident reportedly heard someone scurrying from the crash scene.

Chrun, an Air Force pilot in World War II, said he didn't know quite what to make of the broadcast. "I can visualize a musical top," he said, "but I have never run across a flying saucer or an elephant hunter's hat."

[illegible] Flying Saucer Disk

[illegible] Dr. Gellison, noted scientist and president of the Hawaiian Astronomical club, gave the astonishing news to the world in an exclusive interview with the Star-Bulletin.

He added the police army, navy and air force is rewed the news [illegible] locked official Washington in its heels.

A plane glider convoy is carrying eight nuclear scientist and rocket space expert within the Senator region to Honolulu for an exhaustive inquiry, he said.

HIS AID IS ASKED

Local authorities, clamping a deep lid of secrecy on the situation, immediately invoked the aid of Dr. Gellison, who has wintered in Hawaii for many years.

Dr. Gellison alone was admitted to the scene of the saucer crash-up.

But an alert Star-Bulletin photographer, A. K. Trebe, slipped through the uniformed ranks of Army and managed to get an exclusive picture of the saucer and [illegible] interview with Dr. Gellison.

UPLIFT RESEARCH

Dr. Gellison will be recalled, it noted, for his research in the field of scientific uplift, for which he has been awarded the supreme star of the diamond horseshoe.

Dr. Gellison is the man who first [illegible] up the ancient Viking vessel [illegible] of the saints of Wilmington.

This caused a sensation in the archaeological world. The diggin [illegible] aroused has not yet died down.

First inquiries at the crash scene shed only a blue light on what occurred.

Anderson J. Ginloof, a nearby resident, was able to report that he heard a loud humming noise, saw a blue light flashing through the murky dawn sky, then heard a crash on the hillside.

RUMBLING IS HEARD

Rushing to the scene Mr. Ginloof found no signs of life, but heard a rustling in the distance, although other noises were nearly [illegible]

"The whole thing about the saucer-saucer business is a joke," [illegible] "Why, I myself [illegible] got there when I was [illegible]

"The whole thing about the saucer-saucer business is a joke," about once [illegible]

"Why, I myself [illegible] got there when I was [illegible]

"Now, [illegible] I strolled the playing at Kalihiwai, a mountain, [illegible] thing occurred to me that I [illegible] quite as thoroughly."

BACK TO WORK HE GOES

Undismayed, solitary against the bleak slopes of Pearl Harbor, Dr. Gellison bent to his work.

There he toiled.

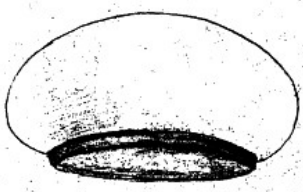
And as for your reporter, he said "Aloha nuibiaa hare k nawaiting remarkable about this thing landing here on April 1.

"Aw, fool," he said suddenly, "Da Kalihiwai are there is Aw-ola plainly are."

Hundreds of Edmontonians Gaze in Wonder at 'Thing'

MEN WITHIN 30 FEET OF WEIRD FLYING SAUCER!

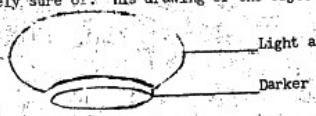
A LIGHTED balloon-like object passed within 30 feet [illegible] Alberta, [illegible] according to [illegible] Edmonton, [illegible] street [illegible]

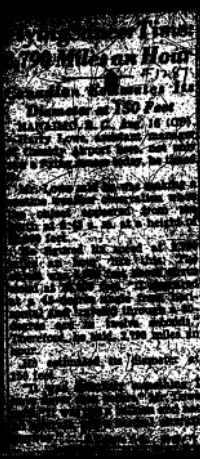


June 15, 1950: A large number of the residents of Paramaribo, Surinam (Dutch Guiana), South America, observed the passage of a strange object in the skies over that city. A first-hand report was obtained from Mr. Wilfred Coronel, who, at that time, lived with his family at 48 Water Straat. At about 9 a.m. on the morning of June 15, 1950, he was called from his house by his father, who saw from the back yard of their home a peculiar ovoid object with a ridge around the base and a flat underside. The object was of a silvery metallic color, "like aluminum," and the rounded top, which overhung the flat bottom, was somewhat lighter in color than the underpart. Its apparent size against the background of the sky was as large as a full moon and it was estimated to be moving at an altitude of 6,000 meters (19,000 feet), although no basis for the estimate could be given. The day was clear and though there were scattered clouds, the witness was fairly sure that the object did not pass behind or above them. No sound was heard. The flat base of the object remained parallel to the ground at all times as the object "drifted slowly" to the northeast. Four or five times it "dipped" abruptly, losing altitude in a vertical descent, then moving horizontally at this lower altitude, and then rising abruptly to its original height. After rising from its final descent, the object continued to gain altitude and ascended at an angle into the northeast sky until it was lost from view. The witness watched the performance for about ten minutes.

"Everybody was astonished--they thought that it was a new invention of Russia or the United States." He added that some people were frightened by it, especially when the object made its abrupt descents, and were afraid it might "destroy the city." According to the witness, it was observed by the majority of the city's residents (pop. 80,000); people called each other and word spread quickly--everyone came out to "admire the view." There was extensive coverage in the city's newspapers the following day (the Research Section will attempt to obtain the published accounts). As far as the witness can recall, there were no photographs taken of the object.

Details were obtained from the observer by Ted Bloecher, who works with Mr. Coronel and can vouch for his reliability. Mr. Coronel mentioned only such incidents as he was absolutely sure of. His drawing of the object is copied here.





Meteor's Flash Lights Up All of Northeast Area

[illegible] Seen as Far South as New Haven

Somewhere in the forests and white birch wilderness of northern Ontario or Quebec a meteor flashed to earth at 7:35 p. m. yesterday, illuminating mountaintops in the northeastern states and the Canadian provinces.

The brilliant, greenish-blue flash was seen from Ottawa to New Haven, Conn.

Central streets were suddenly light as day and airplane pilots over the Berkshires saw the flash. Observers in Ottawa reported [illegible]

[illegible] Navy, [illegible] by a [illegible] said that while the light [illegible] it was not a [illegible] [illegible] a flame of the burning [illegible]

Meteor

(Continued from page one)

sion of observers was that there had been a terrific explosion at a distance so great that its sound did not reach them.

It was observed at Plattsburg, Massena, Albany, Glens Falls and Utica, N. Y., among other places; at Burlington and St. Johnsbury, Vt.; at Hartford, New Haven and Hampden, Conn., and at Montreal and Ottawa in Canada.

John Chartier, a resident of Montreal, reported that the flash "lit up the sky for five seconds and left flames in its path." Another Montreal resident said that after the flash came a sound like that of a far-off motor boat.

A representative of Harvard University Observatory at Cambridge, Mass., said that it was the flash of a giant meteor which had lighted up the northeastern states and Canada.

"It is a rare phenomenon," he said, "but not extraordinary. Several millions fall into the earth's atmosphere every day. Apparently, this evening a large stony or iron meteor fell from somewhere in the outer spaces into the earth's atmosphere. The heat of friction during its falling through the atmosphere caused the body to be incandescent.

"The average size of such missiles is microscopic. They are the smallest meteors. An extra large one falls only rarely."

As far north as Albany the light appeared to be in the northern quarter of the sky. At short distances Canadian border and beyond, the whole sky was illuminated, according to those who saw it.

Civil Aeronautics Administration employee, who was in the control tower at Albany Airport—"a great big green flash high in the sky."

Mr. Herr's estimate was that the source of light was well above 10,000 feet in altitude.

"It dived through the sky," he said "like a shooting star with a red tail to it, but I never saw a shooting star quite like it."

A pilot who brought a plane into Albany Airport said he had seen the flash as he came across the Berkshires and for an instant the whole landscape was bright as day.

Another pilot, flying at the time in the vicinity of Burlington, Vt., reported by radio at 7:44 p. m. that he had seen "a bright flash and an explosion" north of Burlington.

"It lighted up the sky in all directions," he said.

The Portland (Me.) Press Herald received numerous telephone calls from persons who had seen the phenomenon.

Amateur radio operators throughout the Northeast were busy describing the incident to each other.

In Plattsburg, N. Y., observers who telephoned The Plattsburg Press said that first came "a red spiral and then a blue burst."

Observers elsewhere spoke first of seeing the greenish blue flash and then yellow or red.

Duane Thornton, of Wells, Me., who was at Sidney, Me., when he saw the flash, reported it was "a bright white light that flared up and hung perfectly motionless in the sky for one minute and then faded to red and died."

Most of those who saw it thought that its brightness was at first the [illegible] of a photograph

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Flying Somethings Seen Over Kauai

Special to The Advertiser

LIHUE, Kauai, Oct. 11—Kauai is flying saucer conscious these days.

At least two witnesses say they saw a round glowing object speeding in a south to north direction in the skies over the Garden Isle the other night.

ALBERT HORNER of Kapaa said a circular luminous object at high altitude appeared from the Ahukini direction, to the south, and disappeared into high clouds toward Anahola to the north. The object was in sight about two and a half seconds. When first observed, Horner said, its diameter was about a fourth that of the moon. Horner, who is manager of Hawaiian Canneries, said he sighted the object about 7:30 Saturday evening.

BEN IIDA SR., Lihue resident, said he saw a round glowing object about dusk Saturday evening, almost traveling from south to north at high altitude. The object was in sight long enough for him to call the attention of neighbors to it.

H-TRIBUNE

NOVEMBER 8, 1950

Mysterious Flash of Light

Ontario Town Reports a Brilliant Little Sun During Snowstorm

TIMMINS, Ont., Nov. 7 (CP)—Residents of this Northern Ontario mining town reported a mysterious flash of light appeared across the Southern sky last night during a driving snowstorm.

Eighteen persons said they saw a brilliant little sun, a zooming finish and just a white light. Clouds heavy with snow hung close to the earth at 10:35 P. M. when the mysterious flash was seen.

One woman gave a vivid description of a shiny tear drop shooting across the sky from east to west and disappearing.

Letter to Keyhoe

THE FLYING SAUCERS

The strange things of which I have made some drawings were seen from a trolley bus in Honolulu, Hawaii, December 18, 1950. Time: 9:15 A.M.

It was a clear bright morning with brilliant sunshine. The bus had stopped for a traffic light on the bridge over the Nuuanu Stream, corner of River and King Streets. From this point there is a good view of part of the harbor with ships and piers and with the ocean in the background.

I was looking at a ship when suddenly a strong reflection from a shining object caught my eye. I squinted toward the blinding light and was wondering what it could be. The reflection disappeared and then I saw them - seven of them over the masts of the ship.

They were flying low, I believe about 1500 feet and were quite near, about two miles away.

They were a weird and impressive sight with their tremendous size, their mass formation, their unusual shape, their great speed and their white trailing vapor.

They were as to form very good looking, of a functional modernistic design, but there was also something sinister about them. They were flying in close formation with one leading followed by two side by side and the rest more irregular. They looked extremely efficient for air travel.

A popular book called, "The Flying Saucers Are Real" has a picture on the cover showing a disc flying horizontally with the broadside down as airlift. That is incorrect. They fly vertically with the edge of the disc pointing toward the center of the earth. In the same picture they were equiped with jets. That is also incorrect. They are not propelled by jets.

Gravity does not seem to exist to them and what keeps them up and flying without any visible means of airlift or propulsion is a mystery.

I looked carefully to see if there was a window or skylight, but could not see any. I saw only the wide expanse of the silver colored metal of their enormous broadsides which were without any signs or markings. At the distance they were, they seemed to be about as big as the full moon. My guess is that their diameter was about 140 feet. They are not circular but somewhat longish. About one fifth wider than high.

I especially noticed the billowing white vapor from the exhaust at the lower edge of the discs. It made a trail as long as the diameter of the disc and came out in rather slow puffs, very much like the vapor from a steam locomotive on a rainy day.

I saw the ships for about 20 seconds when they suddenly disappeared. I had the impression that they would be invisible except in the most favorable light and seen broadside. When they turned a bit of an angle they could not be seen.

They came in from the ocean, made a turn in front of the harbor (when I got the reflection) flew parallel with the coastline in the direction of Diamond Head for a few seconds and turned out to sea again.

Obviously, the officers of the ships, whoever they are, came down from high to a very low altitude because they wanted to have a good look at the town of Honolulu and its harbor. When I first saw them they were higher than afterwards when they leveled off to fly past the harbor.

They didn't "wobble" either, as it has been said they sometimes do, but flew straight and steady.

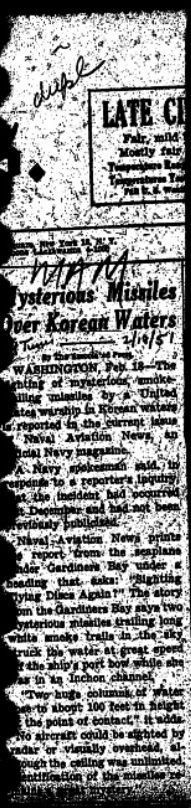
To me they looked like marvels of technical perfection.

When I first saw the discs their speed was about three times as fast as that of a plane. When they were half way across the harbor they increased their speed to about five times that of a plane and disappeared.

They flew so fast that the vapor trail dissolved itself in isolated dots.

Two days later Honolulu papers reported that a great many people had seen a mysterious green light move at great speed over the evening sk[illegible] at Waikiki. Similar reports came from other islands.

In 1951 and 1952 there have been numerous reports of sightings at night of green lights and orange fireballs and also a sighting in daylight of a gleaming disc, which for a short time stood still over the district of Kahala in Honolulu.



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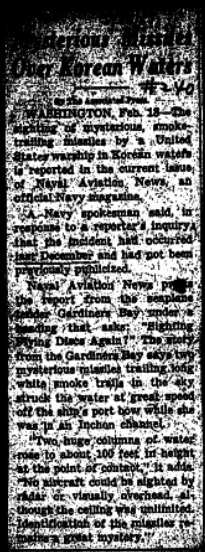

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The Navy gave no more details.
Whether the incident occurred early or late in December would have a bearing on how great a distance the missiles may have traveled. Early in the month, most of the Communist forces were a great distance from Inchon, which is on Korea's west coast near Seoul. By the end of December, after United Nations troops had withdrawn in the face of Chinese hordes, they were relatively close.

...ODD MISSILES 'FRIENDLY'
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TOKYO, Wednesday, Feb. 21—(AP)—A naval spokesman said today that the "mysterious missiles" that appeared off the West coast of Korea had been evaluated as ...ing tanks, presumed to be ...iendly."
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Report of a U.F.O. sighting by John D. Burton White Plains, N.Y.
at Goose A.F.B. Goose Bay, Labrador 1951

FIRST HALF 1951

DATE: Within the first half of 1951- exact month or day unknown.

TIME: Aprrox. 2:00 A.M. (0200 Hrs. military')

PLACE: Radar Station, Goose Bay Lab.

LOCATION OF VIEWER: In a large barbed wire enclosed compound.

Object approached from a south-westerly direction, first seen by Sentry A in compound- brought to the attention of myself and Sentry B with these words, "Look at this jet coming in." Approx. 50 deg. above the horizon which would put it above the tops of the Mt. range that circled the Base. The object appeared to be about 10 miles away-Bay and dock area being approx. 10 miles south of viewers- object appeared to be over Bay. It's size was a little smaller than a ten cent piece held at arms length. The first impression was that it was the navigation lights on an aircraft.

It was a single object of a very bright, sharp, intense, cold feeling light, moving at a very rapid rate of speed. That accounts for Sentry A's exclamation of "Look at the jet" etc. Estimated speed was about 200 to 300 MPH but I can't be certain as we didn't have time to measure it. The three of us stood and watched it approach. I stated "If it's going to land it better slow down".

The object appeared to be making the first leg of a landing approach. By this time it was over the south end of the field, making a left turn, not banking just turning. There was no engine or jet noises of any kind. The object completed an almost 360 deg. turn and lined up, heading south, with the north-south runway. It had lost a terrific amount of altitude by this time and was making what would normaly be a power-on landing. Still nor jet or engine noises.

The runway was about 1½ miles from our location. The object was below the to tops of the mts. in the far distance and still just a very intense light. No vapor or exhaust trail, no idling noise. NOTE: In this country at bhis time of year and at night a door slamed on the other side of the base could be heard where we were.

Almost a quarter of the way down the runway the object, now moving about 100 MPH, pulled straight up, gained about 1 sec. altitude and at almost tree top level headed directly north. Backing in the oppisite direction it was heading. Sentry A ran to the 35' tower, which housed antenna for a MPS-4 height finder, and climbed to the top to watch. Directly north of the site was a "cut" in the mts. made by the Hamilton River. The object went thru this "cut" below the tops of the mts. I ran to the control center and asked the P.P.I. scope operator where the unknown had come from, he stated that there were no flight plans and no A/C on the scope since 5 o'clock yesterday.

No other type of radar was on the air at this time (G.C.A. or D.F.) That was the last we heard of this particular U.F.O. but we were visited many more times before my 13 months were completed up there.

Sentry A in the report can't be located, all I havw is his former add.
Sentry B " " " is dead.

John D. Burton

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Mt. Kilimanjaro, Tanganyika, Africa, Feb. 19, 1951

London Sunday Dispatch, 2/25/51
(As reprinted in FS and Common Sense, Waveney Girvan, p.77-9)

Nine men and two women who saw a mystery object flying near Mount Kilimanjaro, Tanganyika, last week have signed an affidavit giving the most authentic Flying Saucer report so far. They saw the mystery object clearly for seventeen minutes from their plane, and describe it as bullet-shaped and metallic.

They refuse to accept the explanation of Dr. U. Liddel, U.S. research chief, who says flying saucers are "Sky-hook" experimental balloons. Here is a detailed account of what they saw.

The object was first seen by Radio Operator Dennis W. Merrifield, 34, in the East African Airways plane Lodestar, en route to Mombasa from Nairobi.

"Have a look at a flying saucer," he said to Captain ~~EK~~ J. Bicknell, 30, an ex-B.O.A.C. pilot.

The object was absolutely motionless 10,000 feet above Kilimanjaro. Merrifield, ~~ex~~ ex-R.A.F., radioed Nairobi that the object was a "bright gleaming spot."

Nairobi reported that there were no other planes in a wide arc and said: "Take more water with it."

Captain Bicknell told me: "The morning was clear and cloudless, visibility was good and the weather perfect. I timed the saucer for seventeen minutes while the Lodestar kept to its course. Twice it rose vertically to a final height of 40,000 feet, then it moved east towards the coast at a terrific speed.

"There was a large fin-like object attached to the rear, although it wasn't clearly defined. There was no apparent propelling power when the saucer moved. There were definitely no vapor trails."

Captain Bicknell immediadetly after landing at Mombasa prepared an affidavit, which Merrifield and his seven men and two women passengers signed.

One passenger, Captain H.B. Fussell, a Newport, Monmouthshire, sports dealer, who had a pair of powerful binoculars said: "Through the glasses the object appeared bullet-shaped. Its colour was whitish-silver with three verticle black bands down the side. For ten minutes it remained stationary, then it suddenly rose vertically by 5,000 feet.

"Again it became stationary, and then a minute later it rose again and moved laterally away at great speed, probably 400 m.p.h."

Captain Fussell said that Dr. Urner Liddel's balloon theory did not fit what he saw. "Suppose it was a balloon--how could a balloon both hover motionless and move at 400 m.p.h. in the same weather conditions?" he asked.

"I emphatically reject the theory. The object was definitely metallic."

A radio officer named Overstreet from the American freighter Robin Mowbray, who was another passenger, said: "I wouldn't swear but through the binoculars I thought I could identify a row of circular windows."

Charles J. Vernon, also American and purser of the Robin Mowbray, said: "The object must have been immense, two or three times the size of the largest passenger plane."

Three seperate attempts to photograph the object were made from the plane. Captain Fussell snapped it with his miniture camera. Mr. Overstreet shot 30 feet of colour film with a telescopic lens on his cine camera, and Mr. Vernon also tried to snap it.

After landing, Captain Fussell developed his film in the presence of a newspaper reporter and a commercial photographer, who could certify that the film was not faked or retouched.

Three exposures were blank but ~~k~~ the fourth showed a small black object.

Mr. Vernon's film showed nothing, and Mr. Overstreet's colour-film has not yet been developed.

During the night after the saucer was reported, two unexplained flashed lit Mombasa.

Captain Bicknell was born in Exeter and lived in London before joining ~~the~~ East Africa Airways in 1948.

Radio operator Merrifield's parents live at Ellison Gardens, Southall, Middlesex.

From the Sunday Dispatch, March 4, 1951, London

Sketch of object sighted over Mt. Kilimanjaro February 19, 1951, by crew and passengers of East African Airlines Lodestar

(excerpt from reprint in FS & Commonsense, Girvan, p. 79-80)

Flying in a cloudless sky over Mount Kilimanjaro, in Tanganyika, Captain Jack Bicknell, pilot of a passenger plane bound for Mombasa, saw through binoculars "a metallic, bullet-shaped object which must have been more than 200 feet long." The Sunday Dispatch last week gave a detailed report of this flying saucer sighting, the most authentic so far recorded.

When he brought the plane down, Captain Bicknell drew a sketch of what he had seen.

The diagram above was prepared from Captain Bicknell's sketch and shows the "large object attached to the rear."

One passenger, Captain R. S. Fussell, of Newport, Monmouthshire, also told of the "three verticle black bands down the side."

Captain Bicknell, an ex-B.O.A.C. pilot, giving additional details, said the mystery object was stationary when first seen, and remained so for 17 minutes.

"Then it began moving eastwards, rising as it did so. It disappeared at about 40,000 feet," he said.

THEN We've calculated (who's "we"--TRD) that in the three minutes of visible movement it covered about 60 miles. That gives it a speed of well over 1,000 mph.

FLYING SAUCERS SNAPPED

MOMBASA, February [illegible]

Seven passengers and five members of the crew of an East African Airways aircraft flying from Nairobi to Mombasa signed sworn affidavits today that they saw a flying saucer hovering over Mount Kilimanjaro.

Two American passengers took cine camera pictures with telephoto lenses and another photographed it with a miniature camera. [illegible]

One of the passengers, Captain R. S. Fussell, who studied it through powerful marine binoculars, said it was shaped like a [illegible] and had a series of vertical markings along the side.

When it was first seen its height was estimated to be about [illegible] feet. It then moved vertically to [illegible] feet, hovered a short while and then rose again to [illegible] feet. Later it moved off laterally at "terrific speed."

'Flying Disc' Seen Over Koolau Range

Two persons reported to police Thursday night that they had seen a flaming red disc with a green tail streaking across the sky at about 8 p.m., traveling from the Koolau range toward Waianae.

The reports were received from Robert Kelly of Wahiawa and Mrs. [illegible] of Honolulu, both of whom sighted the object while traveling on Kamehameha highway.

Although these witnesses were in opposite directions, they said they observed the disc for about 20 seconds.

Cine Film May Show "Saucer"

From Our Own Correspondent

MOMBASA, Sunday.

The 11 people in the East African Airways Lodestar who saw a strange object in the sky near Mount Kilimanjaro, Tanganyika, recently, refuse to accept it as one of the cosmic ray balloons which an American scientist has said are the explanation of "flying saucers."

They have signed an affidavit that what they saw was in sight for 17 minutes, hovered motionless for a while and was twice seen to shoot up vertically at great speed. It was twice the size of an airliner and had a fin-like object attached to the rear.

ANOTHER PLANE?

Aviation circles here suggest that it may have been a mirage or a reflection of another aeroplane from the snows on the mountain. An official of Air France in Nairobi said a Constellation aircraft of his company left Nairobi early that morning and would have been in the Kilimanjaro area about the time the object was sighted.

Photographs taken from the Lodestar show only the smallest speck. Cine films taken by American passengers have still to be developed.

THE MOUNT KILIMANJARO INCIDENT*

FEBRUARY 19, 1951, DAWNED BRIGHT AND CLEAR at Nairobi, Kenya Colony, East Africa.

At Nairobi West airport, the regular Monday morning Lodestar was readied as usual for its morning flight to Mombasa, and [illegible] passengers filed aboard, little dreaming, any of them, of what was to meet their astonished eyes barely [illegible] minutes later.

At 7 a.m. exactly with 9 passengers and a crew of 2 aboard, the Lodestar took off.

All went well until 7:20 a.m., when suddenly the radio officer drew the attention of his superior, Captain J. Bicknell, to a bright object like a white star, apparently hanging motionless nearly [illegible] feet above Mt. Kilimanjaro.

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AS IT REMAINED FOR 17 MINUTES.

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* Reprinted from the [illegible] issue of THE AUSTRALIAN FLYING SAUCER MAGAZINE [illegible] published by the Australian Flying Saucer Bureau, [illegible] Australia.)

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THE MT. KILIMANJARO INCIDENT

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EDITOR'S NOTE

IN REGARD TO THE ABOVE INCIDENT, we received the following reply, to our inquiry, dated [illegible] October, 1952 from the East African Airways Corporation:

"I have received your letter of [illegible] October, 1952, but regret that the photographs required by you are not available within the East African Airways Corporation. They were, I believe, taken by a passenger travelling in the aircraft, whose name cannot now be traced.

"I should point out that there has always been considerable doubt as to the truth of the report. The photographs were never published, and after developing, there was no trace of any phenomena on the prints. Rumour has it that when they were developed, the chemist obliterated the spots, thinking they were a fault in the negative.

"I am sorry that I cannot be more helpful, but as I have said, the photographs are non-existent.

"Yours faithfully, (Cont.)

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PUBLICITY OFFICER"

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THE MT. KILIMANJARO INCIDENT (REDFERN'S NOTE)

SOMETHING SOME SCIENCE FICTION has long the least. We have heard that East African Airways have, in their possession, affidavits from all passengers aboard the aircraft who viewed the object. To quote from the story under the published pictures of the UFO's, only appearing in the March 14 [illegible] edition of the Nairobi Mercury (published in Durban, S.A.R., Africa):

"This picture was taken yesterday by a 'Natal Mercury' photographer while Mr. Ray Cruickshank was showing the film of what he claimed to be a flying saucer over Mount Kilimanjaro. On the screen, the object appears about the size of half a screen, but on this newspaper reproduction is seen as only a white pinprick inside the ring.

"A print of this photograph in the 'Natal Mercury' is in our possession, but of such poor quality to publish. The object (if that is what it is) is a nebulous, dull-grey mass, about the size of a pin-head; perhaps slightly larger.

"It seems to be a generally known fact that Ray Cruickshank, photographer who took the motion pictures of the object, now reserved distribution possibilities in his film and sailed for America. He never arrived, nor was heard of since, it is said.

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Mr. Zeigler said further that in June 1951 he had watched a similar performance on a radar screen, on the Coast Guard icebreaker Icewind, in the Bering Sea. For an hour the UFO radar pip made jumps between East Cape, Siberia, and Alaska. At times the object could be tracked "slowly" - that is, it would leave several separate pips in a straight line, covering a large part of the 800-mile screen, in 2 seconds. Then it would vanish and reappear at another place on the screen. For technical reasons the distance could not be determined. Visual confirmation could not be attempted because a heavy fog was over the Bering Sea. The Air Force at Nome said "no aircraft in the vicinity." A report was sent in by the Icewind, but no one ever learned what became of it. In response to a question from the audience, Mr. Zeigler agreed that the object might have moved between radar pulses; this would have had to be at a very high speed, though nowhere near the speed of light.

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FLYING-SAUCER OBSERVATIONS ORALLY
REPORTED TO A. D. MEBANE

Submitted, for what they are worth, 5-25-55, to Civilian Saucer Intelligence.

Case 1: Miss Catherine Blankenship, a rather distant friend, related the following on 9-27-52: A friend of her brother's who is a seaman in the merchant marine told her of seeing a flying saucer in the Indian Ocean in the summer of 1951. It was a luminous disc surrounded by a halo, seen at night. No further details obtained.

TWO CLASSIC SIGHTINGS

The *Review* publishes for the first time in its columns two sightings from the past. They will probably be new to many of our readers, but our purpose in reprinting these accounts from the *Australian Flying Saucer Magazine* of May, 1953, is to correct an impression gained by the general public that sightings today are caused by misinterpretations of sputniks, satellites *and what are now regarded as conventional spacecraft manufactured* by one or other of the powers on earth. The first Russian sputnik, it must be borne in mind, was launched in 1957. Neither Russia nor America had penetrated outer space before that year.

The Mount Kilimanjaro Enigma

FEBRUARY 19, 1951, dawned bright and clear at Nairobi, Kenya Colony, East Africa. At Nairobi West Airport, the regular Monday morning Lodestar was readied as usual for its morning flight to Mombasa, and soon passengers filed aboard, little dreaming, any of them, of what was to meet their astounded eyes barely 20 minutes later. At 7 a.m. exactly, with nine passengers and a crew of two aboard, the Lodestar took off.

All went well until 7.20 a.m. when suddenly the radio officer drew the attention of his superior, Captain J. Bicknell, to a bright object like a white star, apparently hanging motionless easily 10,000 ft. above Mount Kilimanjaro. Captain Bicknell's first reaction, he said later, was to say nothing. The two watched the strange object for three minutes, then, as it showed no signs of vanishing, informed the passengers. One began promptly studying the oddity, amazedly, through a powerful pair of field-glasses, whilst the radio officer flashed an excited call to Eastleigh, nearby, giving an account and description of the thing. Eastleigh's suggestion flashed in return was that the object might be a drifting meteorological balloon, but checking on that possibility, after inspecting the enigmatic object for several minutes, Captain Bicknell found that the more he examined it, the less it could possibly be mistaken for a balloon. It was a dull silver colour and marked at regular intervals along the fuselage with vertical dark bands. The entire outline, he found, was unmistakeably distinct: nor, though it appeared to be incredibly distant, was its sharp outline obscured in the least detail by intervening haze.

Captain Bicknell estimated the thing was over 200 ft. long, bullet-shaped, and apparently constructed of metal which shone brightly. On first sighting it, the Lodestar was heading roughly towards it and, watching it closely as they approached, Captain Bicknell perceived another detail. The thing possessed a square-cut vertical fin at one end. There were no signs of movement; it was absolutely stationary. So it remained for 17 minutes.

Passengers of the Lodestar were now taking turns with the field-glasses, and two of them had commenced taking photographs, when suddenly the enormous thing began to move eastwards, slowly at first, and rising as it did so. Before it reached 40,000 ft., at which point it was ultimately lost sight of, the sides of the awesome, whale-like object were seen clearly to be without a break in their smoothness; no windows or portholes relieved the harsh purity of line, no engine mounts or jet pods marred the perfectly streamlined hull.

The day being exceptionally clear, there were no cloud formations in evidence anywhere, and Captain Bicknell calculated that in the three minutes of visible movement the bullet-shaped object covered 60 miles; that, in other words, its speed could have been nothing short of 1,000 m.p.h. during the period of observed flight. It left behind no vapour trail and, to all who saw it, had no visible means of propulsion.

During an interview some days later, Captain Bicknell said that his impression was that the unidentified thing was some kind of flying machine, and with this his radio officer, a Mr. D. W. Merrifield, unhesitatingly agreed. A "mirage" was suggested as the possible cause, but the radio officer discounted it. "Mirages are rarely seen without cloud," he stated, "nor would that explain the object's movement." He commented that if the object was a flying machine "it was 500 years ahead of anything we have today."

Nairobi *Sunday Post* the following Sunday said: "If this report had come from a few isolated individuals it would soon be discounted, but it came from responsible airline officials and nine ordinary travellers." It, too, dismissed both the balloon and mirage theories, and concluded that hopes of a "natural" explanation had begun to fade. Other theories ranged from Martian visitors to radio-controlled weapons.

Fragmentary evidence accrued since then increase the sum total of knowledge but little. U.S. *Life* magazine early in 1952 published a sketch of the object, which showed it to closely resemble an ordinary lipstick tube lying on its side. Later, in connection with learning the whereabouts of the photographs taken from Captain Bicknell's plane, the Australian Flying Saucer Bureau learnt that "the only known public photograph of the object shows a blurred spot on the film." A motion-picture film taken by another passenger was "quite clear," but the same reliable source stated, either laconically or ominously, it is hard to tell which, that "the man with the film is supposed to have disappeared."

Tell your friends about

1952

Norwich, March 2, 1952

Korean Saucers

The newest "flying saucer" looked like a bright orange disk ringed by small bluish flames. Perhaps 3 feet in diameter, it moved parallel to a B-29 flying at 200 miles an hour over North Korea around midnight Jan. 29-30. For five minutes it was visible to two crewmen. Then it disappeared. This incident was duly reported through channels. So was an identical incident, witnessed from another B-29 of a different squadron over another part of North Korea that night.

Last week the Air Force was skeptical that a novel Red type of guided missile or jet aircraft had been sighted. It felt the Korea incidents fitted the pattern of the "flying saucers" in the United States. Some 400 such incidents were all dismissed as caused by balloons, meteors, birds, mass hysteria, hoaxes, etc. Now some old-time pilots suggested that the Korean "saucers" perhaps were St. Elmo's fire—the flame-like discharge of electricity, reddish when positive and bluish when negative, which sometimes dances over a wing surface, or a wing tip, or in disk shape around a rotating propeller.

K[illegible] ... a beautiful sunset one evening in the third week of January this year—I cannot fix the exact date—when I suddenly realised that something peculiar was across the sky at a great height from north to south.

"It appeared to be oblong in shape and to my eyes was about 3ft. long and 6in. deep. Its colour was golden—it looked like a rod of burnished gold—and the nose of the object appeared to be a flame shooting from it as it ploughed through the sky.

"When it was over Canterbury I lost sight of it, but a couple of minutes later it reappeared, travelling this time from south to north. I watched it until it disappeared from sight behind the woods in the direction of Whitstable. All the time it maintained an even speed which, although not astonishing, was impressive. It must have been terrific to cover the distance in the time.

"As far as WRAF officer I am familiar with many types of plane, and aircraft are over here all day long. From my experience I can state definitely that the object was not a plane. I came to the conclusion that this was something that did not belong to this world."

—Flt. Off. Mary Matthews, of Trembling Farm, Sturry, near Canterbury.

HAMPSHIRE: "Between two and three in the morning of January 29 or 30, this year, I was awakened by a bright light in my bedroom. I knew it could not be moonlight because the moon does not shine on that side of the house. So I got out of bed to see what it was.

"Hanging in the sky was an object shaped like a pear, with the big end downwards. It was glowing with a red firelight glow, and appeared to be hovering.

"I went into the next room and wakened my son, who is 14, and together we watched it for a quarter of an hour, until it gradually faded away.

"It was a very clear night and the object merged a fairly good distance away."

—Mrs. Gladys Merrill, 54, of Scotts Hill-lane, Purwell, Christchurch, Hants.

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Korea Gets a Case Of Flying Saucers

Air Force Opens Inquiry on B-29's Report

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19 (UP)—The Air Force disclosed today that it has ordered a full-scale investigation of reports that objects resembling flying saucers have been sighted in Korea by crew men of two American B-29 bombers.

An Air Force spokesman said four flyers described the objects as disc-shaped, bright orange in color and sending off occasional flashes of bluish light. Two of the flyers were said to have thought the discs were three feet in diameter.

In the past, the Air Force has forcefully discounted widespread reports of "flying saucers" as "discs," but it was sufficiently impressed by reports from its own personnel to order a full inquiry. The reports from the crew men were sent to officials here through regular military intelligence channels.

The first report was submitted to Air Force intelligence officers from two crew men of a B-29 who said they saw the object flying parallel to their plane at about midnight the night of Jan. 29 over Wonsan, Korea.

Their "sighting" might have been dismissed as an optical illusion or imagination, but the same night, a B-29 from a different squadron returned to its base after a flight over Sunchon, some distance from Wonsan. Two crew men said they saw flying discs moving alongside their plane at a high altitude. The time also was at about midnight.

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U. S. Fliers See 'Odd' Things in Korea Sky

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Flying Discs Reported Over Korea

AF Investigating Pilots' Stories

By United Press 1952

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The Air Force, which has thrown cold water on hundreds of previous "flying saucer" stories, apparently was impressed by the circumstances under which the new sightings were reported by its own personnel.

Parallel Plane

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This report might have been discounted as over-imaginative. But on the same night, a B-29 from a different squadron returned to its base after a flight over Sunchon, Korea, a considerable distance from Wonsan.

Two crew members told intelligence officers that they had seen "flying discs" moving parallel to their plane at a high altitude. They fixed the time at about midnight.

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First in June

While officials declined to elaborate, the open-minded Air Force attitude contrasted sharply with the blunt skepticism it has voiced about previous sightings of mysterious objects in the skies.

The first "flying saucer" report was made in June, 1947, by a private pilot named Kenneth Arnold, who told reporters he saw nine shimmering discs flying at high speed near Mt. Rainier, Wash. Soon similar stories were pouring in from all parts of the country, and even from such distant points as Alaska, Scandinavia, Chile and Turkey.

The Air Force set up a special investigating body, dubbed "Project Saucer," to look into the reports. After two years of work, in which nearly 400 separate "sightings" were investigated, the Air Force reported in December, 1949, that it was satisfied that there was nothing to the scare.

Incident 9. On Jan. 29, 1952, just before midnight, a B-29 was on solo mission over Wonsan, Korea. It was flying at a speed somewhat less than 200 miles an hour, at an altitude somewhat above 20,000 feet. Simultaneously the tail gunner and the fire-control man in the waist saw a bright round orange object in the sky near the plane. Both said it was about three feet in diameter, flew with a revolving motion on a course parallel to theirs, and wore a halo of bluish flame. It also appeared to pulsate. The object followed the B-29 for about five minutes, then pulled ahead and shot away at a sharp angle. On the same night a similar globe was seen by the tail gunner and waist man of another B-29, 80 miles away over Sunchon, but flying at about the same height. The globe followed the plane for about a minute, then disappeared.

HOW DISKS LOOKED in relation to each other is shown by C. E. Redman of Albuquerque.

Evaluation. *Theoreticians in the Air Force believe the fireballs were not natural phenomena but propelled objects. They bear some similarity to the balls of fire—called "fireball fighters" or "foo fighters"—which flew wing on Allied aircraft over Germany and Japan during 1944-45 and which have never been satisfactorily explained. In the Korean incidents, the fireballs seem—on the evidence of their sharp acceleration, their blue light and the abrupt, angular swerve—to resemble the saucers described earlier.*

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'DISKS' SEEN IN KOREA

Air Force Studies Files' Reports of Hurtling Orange Globes

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19 (AP)—The latest version of the five-year-old flying saucers—strange-looking orange globes over Korea—is being looked into by the Air Force.

Bomber crewmen have reported seeing globe-shaped objects of an orange color on flights over Korea on the nights of Jan. 29 and 30. An Air Force spokesman said today that the incidents were being investigated.

Bomber crewmen, who reported seeing the globes over the Wonsan area in Eastern Korea and the Sunchon area in west central Korea, said the objects were about three feet in diameter and had remained with a B-29 bomber over Wonsan for about five minutes and with a B-29 over Sunchon for about one minute.

Korean Air Has Mystery

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Asked if pilots of night fighters or B-26 light bombers had seen the objects, a Fifth air force spokesman in Korea said:

"To affirm or deny it would put us in the position of discussing it and we cannot discuss it."

AF Probes Flying Disks Seen by Yanks in Korea

By G. Gould Lincoln

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Many Wild Theories.

Subsequently, Navy researchers announced all reports of flying saucers could be attributed to sightings of huge new planes or rooms which the Navy had secretly been sending aloft for cosmic ray studies.

But the belief persisted in many quarters—and was upheld by "inside" stories in several publications—that the flying discs were some kind of ultramodern aircraft or missile.

The more extreme speculation has centered on the idea that the disks might have come from Mars or some other planet.

But the most widely held theory among those who believe the flying saucers are real is that they are experimental planes or missiles sent up either by the United States or by Russia.

MATTER OF FACT

By JOSEPH and STEWART ALSOP

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What Is Nonsense?

WASHINGTON.

What is nonsense and what is worth reporting? Are facts to be taken seriously if they are undoubted as facts, and have already caused a considerable stir among the government's intelligence chiefs and technical experts? Or are they to be laughed off, because they may mean nothing, and quite probably do not mean as much as their sheer mystery suggests? All these questions are raised by the facts that follow:

On Jan. 29, one of our B-29 bombers, performing a solitary mission in Korea, was flying at somewhat more than 20,000 feet above the town of Wonsan. The bomber's speed was slightly under 250 miles an hour. The time was shortly before midnight. Simultaneously, two members of the B-29's crew, the lonely rear gunner in the tail and the fire-control man in the waist, saw the same peculiar object.

It was round, and both airmen thought it was disc-shaped. It was orange in color, and around its circumference it seemed to have a series of small bluish flames, subsequently described as being like the flames of a gas stove. Judging its distance and size was naturally difficult, but both airmen thought it close to their B-29, and only about three feet in diameter. To both of them, it seemed to fly with a revolving motion. For a full five minutes, this object moved parallel to the flame—or at least the two airmen thought it did—and then it disappeared.

A Report Was Sent

When the B-29 completed its mission, the two airmen reported what they had seen to their squadron intelligence officer. Both men had experienced combat in World War II as well as in Korea, and both were considered steady, sensible fellows. Hence the intelligence officer, who might otherwise have been inclined to ignore their tale, rather gingerly transmitted a routine report to headquarters.

At headquarters the report might also have been ignored as the product of fancy if another almost closely similar report had not been almost simultaneously received. This second report, which came from an entirely different B-29 squadron, also concerned the observations of a fire-control man and waist gunner in a B-29 on a mission on the night of Jan. 29.

This second B-29 had been flying, again at about 20,000 feet, over the town of Sunchon, which is a considerable distance from Wonsan. At about midnight, the rear gunner and fire-control man saw a round object moving level with their aircraft or a little below. As subsequently described by them, what they saw or what they imagined was almost exactly what the other airmen saw or imagined, except that they were inclined to think the object was globular instead of disc-shaped. It followed their plane—or so they thought—for a minute or a little more.

Such are the facts. When queried about them, the highest sources in the Air Force have replied that "there is no doubt about the fact but the Air Force still does not believe in flying discs."

A Hoax Is Ruled Out

Apparently the idea of an elaborate hoax has been ruled out, since the crews of the two bombers did not know each other. That leaves the experts picking and choosing between all the other possible explanations, ranging from an oddly simultaneous illusion produced by the reflections of bright objects in the B-29's plexiglas windows, to a Soviet test of a new form of disc-shaped guided missile.

Whether as hoax, or as illusion, or as intimation of something immediately to come, the reports have less often been treated by those reporters, simply because they are symbols of the opening of the Pandora's box of science. Here is a tale, in source at least not laughable but close to laughable in substance, which is not being laughed off. In fact, it is the subject of anxious inquiry at high official levels.

The plain truth is that this box—opened Pandora's box of science—may contain almost any kind of disagreeable surprise, and thus the experts can no longer say with assurance, "This is silly, that makes sense." The further truth is that the Korean experience has convinced American experts of our earlier folly in underestimating Soviet technical capabilities.

Much more solid evidence than the two queer intelligence reports from the B-29 crews continues to pile up. Most recently, for example, information has come in of Russian production of a genuinely supersonic jet fighter, the MiG 19. The raised estimates of Soviet atomic output are in the same category. There is, of course, counter-balancing evidence, such as the startling withdrawal of the large Soviet air forces formerly stationed in Eastern Germany and the European satellites, which suggests Russian air production problems. Yet over all it is clear that we can no longer rely drowsily on "superior American know-how."

It is also clear, one might add, that the habits of democracy demand much wider ventilation and more serious public consideration of the huge issues raised by the Soviet rummaging in Pandora's box.

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'Mystery' Streaks Over London

LONDON—(UP)—The British meteorological office said Thursday that 30 persons had reported seeing a bright streak of light traveling over London Wednesday night. They described it variously as a "rocket" and "meteorite."

A spokesman said, "It may have been a meteorite shower. Some people said they saw it breaking into pieces."

One witness, Prof. H. Jabukowski, said: "It could have been a German V-2 rocket. I saw it. It could not be a meteor."

★★★★★ CHICAGO DAILY NEWS, Thursday, Feb. 14

C[illegible] "At about 10:40 p.m. on Thursday, February 28, 1952, I was walking through the college towards my room. As I drew level with 'C' staircase, walking north, I saw a bright round object in the sky travelling north-east. It was evenly bright over a perfectly round surface, which was presented to me broadside on, except that at the bottom there was a particularly bright spot of light which made the rest of it look rather like the halo round a candle flame.

"I watched it for perhaps 15 seconds until it went out of sight, and during this time it made no noise whatever. I could not tell what size or at what height it

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THE CREWMEN TOLD THEIR SUPERIORS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID, THAT THE GLOBES WERE ABOUT THREE FEET IN DIAMETER, GENERALLY LIGHT ORANGE IN COLOR WITH AN OCCASIONAL CHANGE TO A BLUISH TINT. [redacted]

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[illegible] Overtakes U.S. Jet Over Japan, Near Russia, Hovers and 'Flutters' Off

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The Air Force made the two reports public without evaluation or comment.

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Then, he said, he saw the disc to the right of and just behind the Thunderjet. He said it appeared to be traveling 30 to 40 miles an hour faster than the F84, which was going 150-160 miles an hour.

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HAVE UFOs BEEN SEEN IN OTHER COUNTRIES?

This surprising misconception, that UFOs are exclusively a native phenomenon of the United States, is completely refuted in the Foreign Reports Section [X]. Part of the reason for this erroneous belief is the lack of information on foreign sightings reported by newswire representatives abroad. In 1962, for instance, a major concentration of sightings occurred in Argentina [Section XII, Argentine Chronology], beginning in May and lasting almost all year. A few of the May sightings were reported briefly in the New York Times (June 3, 1962) from a Reuters dispatch, but in a manner implying that the sightings lasted only one day. In general, U.S. news coverage of these sightings was practically nonexistent. Reuters apparently was the only news agency to report them at all outside of Argentina.

Most major countries of the world for years have had either official or unofficial investigations of UFO sightings [Section X]. American servicemen overseas have contributed many reports.

At 11:20 a.m. March 29, 1952, an Air Force pilot was flying a T-6 north of Misawa, Japan. It was a bright cloudless day. Lt. D. C. Brigham was in the T-6 target plane in a practice intercept mission, with a flight of two F-84's pursuing him.

As the first F-84 overtook him at 6000 feet, Brigham noticed a flash of sunlight behind it and saw a small shiny disc-shaped object gaining on the interceptor. The UFO curved toward the F-84, decelerating rapidly—to the Thunderjet's air speed (150 to 160 mph) and flipping up on edge in a 90 degree bank. Then it fluttered along close to the interceptor's fuselage (between the two aircraft) for 2 to 3 seconds, and pulled away around the starboard wing, flipping once, apparently as it hit the slipstream. Finally, the object passed the F-84, crossed in front, pulled up abruptly, accelerated, and shot out of sight in a near vertical climb.

Lieutenant Brigham estimated that the UFO at its closest point was 30 to 50 feet away from his plane. It was round, shiny as polished chromium, and seemed to be about 8 inches in diameter. Throughout the observation, the disc rocked back and forth in 40 degree banks at about one-second intervals. [See Section XII, Flight Characteristics.] Lieutenant Brigham saw no exhaust or protrusions, but reported a ripple in the apparently metal skin around the edge of the disc. [10]

Foreign pilots, scientists, and engineers also have observed UFOs many times. Around sunset June 30, 1954, south of Goose Bay, Labrador, a British Overseas Airways (BOAC) airliner was paced by a large "parent" object and about six satellite objects [See Section X, Foreign Reports]. Later that night (about 2:15 p.m. local time near Oslo, Norway), two UFOs operating in tandem were observed and filmed under especially favorable conditions. [11.] A solar eclipse was in progress, and three planes carrying scientists and technicians on a scientific expedition were flying through the moon's shadow. About 50 people in the three aircraft saw two "enormous" silvery discs swoop down from some clouds 15 to 20 miles away (estimate based on fact UFOs were in sunlight).

The objects sped along the horizon keeping an exact distance from each other, one slightly behind and above the other, both with forward edge tilted down. The observers detected apparent rotation, as the UFOs levelled off and disappeared into the distance after about 30 seconds. The chief cameraman of the expedition, John Bjornulf, managed to expose about 10 seconds of movie film which showed the UFOs. The films, released by Gaumont, a British firm, were shown on American television September 26, 1954. Still photographs of the UFOs have also been printed. Ernest Graham, one of the witnesses, stated that 50 persons afterwards wrote reports on what they had seen. [12]

'Flying Phonograph Record?' 8-Inch Disc Trails Jet Plane

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Air Force Intelligence Reveals Incident of Last March Over North Japan; Pilot Saw Shiny Metal Thing Make Pass at F-84

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Going 150 MPH

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Almost Vertical Climb

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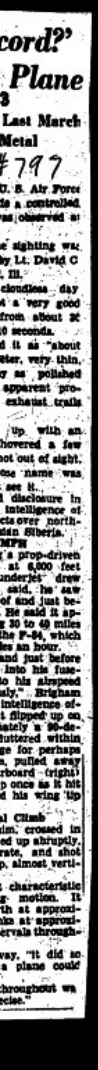

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Jan. 29, 1953

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On Jan. 21, the Air Force disclosed that "rotating clusters of red, white and green lights" had been sighted over Northern Japan by American airmen.

The sightings were reported in frozen, ice-locked territory, already tense from harrassment by Russian aircraft based on Soviet Islands just north and northeast of Japan's northern island, Hokkaido.

A Southwestern scientist, Dr. Lincoln LaPaz of the University of New Mexico at Albuquerque, N.M., contended last week that the green lights or fireballs possibly are Soviet guided missiles, being developed in Northern Japan area and the Baltic.

Pilot Reports Flying Disc Made 'Pass' at His Plane

TOKYO, Jan. 29 (U.P.)—The United States Air Force disclosed today that an American pilot reported a small flying disc made a "sweeping pass" at an F-94 Thunderjet last March.

An Air Force spokesman said the disc was described as being about eight inches in diameter, very thin and shiny. He said it was reported sighted in northern Japan by Lt. David Brigham of Rockford, Ill.

Brigham reported seeing the disc in the same area where clusters of colored lights were sighted by other American pilots and radar, reports earlier this month. Brigham's account of the incident was detailed in an intelligence report filed last April.

HOVERING DISCARDED

He said the disc zipped to within 50 feet of the Thunderjet, hovered six or three seconds in a slow, fluttering motion, then zoomed around the right wing. After that, Brigham reported, the disc put in front of the plane and vanished from sight in a steep climb. He said it left no vapor trail.

Brigham reported seeing the disc on March 29, 1952, at about noon on a bright day. He said that it showed up clearly against the background of the plane.

RAY OF LIGHT SEEN

Brigham said the disc "pulled up abreast" of his plane and that he might see a ray of light coming from it. He said the disc traveled faster than the jet plane around which it was maneuvering and that it fluttered and rocked back and forth.

The Air Force spokesman would make no official comment concerning the credibility of Brigham's report, but he said that Brigham was [illegible]

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Pilot Saw Flying Disk Make Pass at Jet: AF

A U.S. Air Base in Northern Japan, Wed., Jan. 28 (AP)—A U. S. pilot saw at close range a mysterious flying disk make a pass at a Thunderjet over central Japan, then speed away, the Air Force reported yesterday.

The hitherto secret report from Intelligence files said the disk was seen at 6,000 feet on a bright, cloudless day, just before noon last March 29 by Lt. David C. Brigham of Rockford, Ill. 1952

Brigham said the disk was about eight inches in diameter and that it closed to within 20 feet of the Thunderjet before shooting up out of sight.

He said the object was "very thin, round and as shiny as polished chromium; had no apparent projections and left no exhaust or vapor trails." There were no markings on the disk but there was a "ripple in the metal skin."

Brigham estimated it was flying at about 200 miles an hour.

It was the second disclosure in recent days of mysterious objects zooming through the skies over Japan, near Russian-held territory.

COBAN, GUATAMALA, April 16, 1952 AI-P-1

GUATAMALA CITY, April 16, 1952 (INS)-- Residents of Coban in northern Guatemala they sighted a "flying saucer."

Reports from Coban described the mysterious object as a "small luminous body, leaving a trail of indefinite color." They said it crossed through clear skies in a southeastward course.

VALENCIA & BARCELONA, SPAIN, April 19, 1952 AI-P-2

MADRID, April 19, 1952 (AFP)-- Several people of Valencia and Barcelona claim to have seen flying saucers over Spain today. In Valencia, two "smoky stars" supposedly passed through the sky this morning, while in Barcelona some people allegedly saw three "shining objects," a little later, going northward.

IRUN, SPAIN, April 29, 1952 AI-P-3

MADRID, April 29, 1952 (Spanish Home Service)--Several persons in Irun say they saw flying saucers above the city. The so-called flying saucers were moving from east to west. They were of a triangular shape and were shiny. They left no trail and were noiseless.

Now Indonesians are seeing "flying saucers". On May 2 the crew of the S.S. "Andies" saw an object flying at very great speed from East to West over Batam Island in the Rioum archipelago south of Singapore. The object left a trail of white vapor behind it, the observers said. Report in Indonesian, 5/12/52

That Saucer's Seen in Australia

Sydney, Australia, May 5 (UPI) — Reports that a "cigar-shaped object larger than any plane" streaked across the Southeast Australian sky just after dawn Saturday puzzled air force and civilian scientists today.

At least 12 persons from four areas of New South Wales reported they saw the mysterious object. Among them were two airline pilots and a Royal Australian Air Force officer who served in World War II.

All agreed that the object was shaped like a cigar and traveled at speeds of hundreds of miles an hour and at altitudes ranging from 4,000 to 25,000 feet.

RAAF spokesmen said no jet planes were over any of the areas at the time. Weather bureau officials said the object was "definitely not" a weather balloon.

Fred Edwards, one of three postal workers who reported sighting the phenomenon, said the object appeared to have many colored windows, much as a ship

Seattle Times, Sunday, May 4, 1952, page 4, col. 1:

Australians See Flying Saucer

Sydney, Australia, May 4 (UP)-- A dozen persons reported yesterday they saw a "flying saucer" over the Sydney area and at Parkes, 80 miles northwest of here.

Witnesses said the cigar-shaped object flew at an altitude of about 4000 feet at an estimated 500 miles an hour. They said it had brilliant white lights in front and left a blue trail.

Seattle Times, Thursday, May 1, 1952, page 5, col. 2:

B.C. Folk See Strange 'Things' Whizzing in Sky

Vancouver, B.C., May 1 (AP)-- This year's flying saucer fever has now infected British Columbia.

Solid, reliable citizens of Hammond, a community 30 miles east of here, reported yesterday they have seen strange things whizzing through the night skies of the Fraser Valley for the past six weeks.

The "things" don't answer to descriptions of natural phenomena or conventional aircraft, Hammond citizens say.

BARRA DA TIJUCA, BRAZIL, May 7, 1952 AI-P-5

RIO DE JANEIRO, May 8, 1952 (INS)— Two Brazilian cameramen said today they photographed what they believed to be a "flying saucer" in the outskirts of Rio de Janeiro yesterday.

The two, employed by the newspaper Cruzeiro, shot five pictures of what they described as a "perfectly round, wingless and absolutely noiseless" object.

In a radio interview, one of the men, Joao Martins, said the "saucer" was larger than a commercial plane.

They reported the saucer hovered over Barra Beach for more than a minute and then disappeared over the sea.

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 8, 1952 (INS)— The Air Force said tonight that it would welcome photographs of a "flying saucer" sighted Wednesday near Rio de Janeiro, but could not promise to make an on-the-spot investigation.

The Service(Air Force!) said its investigations of the "flying discs" have been confined to the U. S. and its possessions and that any change in this policy would involve diplomatic as well as military questions.

These statements, in response to specific questions, were accompanied by the Air Force's "standard" reply to so-called "flying saucer queries."

The reply states that "a number of reported sightings cannot be...explained and as long as this is true the Air Force will continue to study the problem."

RIO DE JANEIRO, May 9, 1952 (Reuters)— Newspapers here printed pictures today of a "flying saucer" which swooped over the city yesterday(sic).

Press photographers who happened to have cameras ready caught five shots of the thing at a low altitude.

The pictures showed a round object in the air over Barra da Tijuca, a Rio suburb.

The pictures will be sent to the U.S. Air Force General Staff at Washington for examination.

The Air Attache at the U.S. Embassy here claimed he has "no doubts regarding the authenticity of the photographs."

..... p.4 of Gabriel Heros - from "Le Republique Varoise (Toulon) 10-25-54

And then there is still that film about a saucer, which appeared May 7, 1952, near Rio de Janiero, a saucer that was photographed on film by Mr. Reffel. To get possession of this document the experts of AZIC had to spend (dimant verser), after a long and minute examination of the film, the sum of 6 million francs!

Do you think the American government would have spent such an amount for photographs of mirages or flights of birds? (Bourreaux - sterlings)

RIO DE JANEIRO, May 23, 1952 (Aexpress Portuguese)— Reports from Rio de Janeiro state that in view of the appearance of mysterious looking objects in the skies over Brazil, the Brazilian Air Force has requested that any strange looking object that may appear in the sky be photographed.

Sun., May 11, 1952 Seattle

'FLYING SAUCER' PHOTO PRINTED

Brazil Lensmen Film Weird Object In Sky

RIO DE JANEIRO, May 10.— (INS) — Pictures of a "flying saucer" which appeared near the outskirts of Rio de Janeiro were published here in the newspaper Dario da Noite.

At the scene were two photographers from the newspaper Cruzeiro. They were at Bazra da Tijuca beach on another assignment when they saw what appeared to be an airplane coming toward them head-on.

Photographers Ed Keffel and Joao Martins shot five pictures. The completed pictures as published show an object appearing somewhat like a pot lid with a knob-like protuberance in the center.

The cameramen said that the saucer came in from over the sea, losing altitude as it approached. They said that it passed several hundred feet over their heads and appeared to be "rocking like a slowly falling leaf." Then, they said, it made a slow curve, picked up great speed, headed back to sea again and disappeared in the distance.

The photographers said the object was of a bluish-gray color and that its contours were easily discerned with the naked eye.

Brazil's minister of aviation has called for an immediate examination of the photographs.

The cameramen said before the pictures were published that the object they saw was larger than a commercial airplane, and was round and wingless from what they could observe.

+WASHINGTON PIPELINE+ 5/22/52

LIFE MAGAZINE IS NEGOTIATING TO BUY A PICTURE OF A FLYING SAUCER SEEN OVER BRAZIL FOR $25,000 FROM BRAZILIAN PHOTOGRAPHERS ED KEFFELL AND JOAO MARTIN. LIFE HAS EXAMINED THE NEGATIVE AND DECIDED THAT IT HAS NOT BEEN RETOUCHED. BUT THE MAGAZINE STILL ISN'T SURE WHETHER THE PICTURE IS A PHONY, BECAUSE ALL IT SHOWS IS A FLYING SAUCER IN THE EMPTY AIR. THERE IS NO WAY TO JUDGE ITS SIZE AND ALTITUDE....

Since this story rests on the word of 2 reporters fraud cannot be ruled out.

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EXTRA TODAY QUEEN MARY FULL PAGE PORTRAIT

These Photographs Have Set The World Talking

EXCLUSIVE

The Flying Saucer Pictures That Have Amazed Experts

Clearest Views Ever Of The Great Sky Mystery

Mail Van Bandits Made One Slip

By Sunday Dispatch Reporter

THE seven bandits who robbed a mail van of £200,000 in London on Wednesday made one slip.

They had carefully cut out the manufacturer's name from a raincoat they used and which was found near the robbery.

But they overlooked the number 10 682 C19 in the sleeve.

And by last night hundreds of people in many parts of Britain had answered Scotland Yard's appeal for information about this number.

As a result, the detectives' field of investigation has narrowed, and important developments are expected in 48 hours.

Made In London

Detectives have established that the raincoat was manufactured in the East End of London.

Chief Superintendent Barrell, who is in charge of the inquiry, and Detective-Inspector Woolmer spent several hours in the East End yesterday at a clothing manufacturer's. But last night they still did not know who owned the coat or where it had been bought.

The Flying Squad have found that all the known crooks—the smash-and-grab gangs, the pickpockets, and the [illegible]—have vanished.

The size of the coup had frightened them off. They don't want to answer police questions.

London Cafe Chiefs' Cars

By Sunday Dispatch Reporter

THE two green cars used by the mailbag gang were being driven about London last night.

Mr. Michael Forte was at the wheel of his 1939 2½ litre Riley saloon and Mr. Eric Hartwell was driving his 1948 Standard Vanguard.

Mr. Forte and Mr. Hartwell are directors of Forte's, Ltd., caterers and restaurant proprietors.

The gang stole the cars from the International Hire Car Garage in [illegible]-place, Paddington, W.2, a few hours before raiding the mail van.

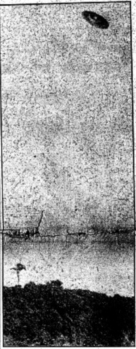
After the raid both cars were found in Covent Garden. Police returned them to their owners after examining them for fingerprints.

The gang left a bag of burglary tools in Mr. Hartwell's car.

MAN LOST FROM HOLIDAY SHIP

NAVAL aircraft and pleasure boats joined in a vain search yesterday for a man lost overboard from the British Railways steamer Isle of Jersey off the Needles, Isle of Wight. The steamer was bound for Southampton with 812 passengers.

The man, well-built and aged about 30, had been standing near a [illegible] on the [illegible] side of the [illegible]



The Flying Saucer slows down, tilts, and gradually loses height, so that much of its top surface, with a dome-shaped centre inside an inner ring, can be seen clearly from the ground.

IT CAME IN OVER THE SEA

THE Sunday Dispatch here presents exclusively in this country a series of pictures that may well become historic—

The most dramatic documentation yet in the Flying Saucer mystery.

These pictures, taken in Brazil, have already excited the interest of millions on the American continent, and amazed experts there.

This is the story behind the pictures:

Two Brazilian reporters, Ed Keffel and Joao Martins, were sent by their editor to a place called Ilha dos Amores (Isle of Lovers), in the district of Barra da Tijuca, Brazil, to do an illustrated feature for their magazine.

It was Wednesday, May 7. Keffel had a camera loaded for action at 4 p.m. when Martins suddenly drew his attention to a strange sort of [illegible] from the sea. [illegible]

Keffel [illegible] a few seconds later [illegible] this flying object was [illegible] quite soundlessly, not showing any trail of smoke or vapour, and quite unlike any flying object they had ever previously seen.

It was blue-grey in colour and it was not luminous.

It flew in a semi-circle over the Tijuca Woods, then out over the coast, where it swooped rather like a leaf falling from a tree. Then it shot forward again in a terrific burst of speed at an angle of 45 degrees and disappeared out to sea.

The whole of this lasted about a minute, and during that time Keffel took five pictures.

The film was rushed to the office of the magazine, where the two men told their story amid great excitement. The pictures were developed and printed, and showed the most remarkable photographs of a Flying Saucer ever seen anywhere in the world.

For Washington

The magazine printed a special supplement containing these pictures. Prints of the photographs, it is understood, are being supplied to Washington for inspection by the U.S. authorities, who have been investigating the whole mystery of Flying Saucers.

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The inner side of the Flying Saucer.

The last glimpse caught by the camera — an enlarged version of the lower picture in Columns Two and Three.

4,000,000 SEE VANISHING LADY'S SECRET

By Sunday Dispatch Reporter

ONE secret of the vanishing lady was given away last night—to 4,000,000 television viewers. It happened during the Café Continental show.

The Continental magicians, Les Andreor, were doing a Chinese box trick. A woman was shut in the box while it was hoisted off its stand 10ft. above the floor. One of the magicians then reached up, pulled open the sides of the box to show it was empty.

The woman appeared smiling over the side of the balcony.

But—one of the cameras had remained focused on the stand from which the box had been lifted, and the woman was seen "unloading" herself, climbing out and running up the steps to the balcony.

Les Andreor are a husband-and-wife combination, M. André Dubis and his wife, Odette.

The explanation of the [illegible] revelation was that there was a slip in camera timing. Although the error was obvious to viewers, the invited audience at Lime Grove did not notice it.

Producer Mr. Henry Caldwell said later in the programme: "If it interests anyone, I am fighting a duel with the [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible] in Kensington Gardens at dawn tomorrow."

Petition Of 20,000 Organised To Free Boy In Mental Home

By Sunday Dispatch Reporter

A PETITION of 20,000 signatures to the Minister of Health to free ten-year-old Donald Pulford from the Rampton Mental Home, near Retford, Nottinghamshire, where he has been kept among criminal mental defectives since he was five is being organised in Sheffield, his home town.

The petition follows an [illegible] [illegible] Sunday [illegible] kept.

It is being organised by two working-men's clubs at [illegible] and Pitsmoor Bridge, Sheffield. The article has been pinned up in the clubs with forms below for signature.

Women Sob

Donald's mother said yesterday at her home at Albert Terrace-road: "We are members of these two clubs, and when we took the paper to show our friends last week everyone was outraged. Women were sobbing openly as they read it."

Mr. Pulford said: "Everyone said what a shame it was that such a young child should be kept there and we were to organise a petition. We are going to get our local member of Parliament to present it to the Minister of Health."

PARIS MOVE DELAYS [illegible] TO GET GERMAN PACT SIGNED

By Sunday Dispatch Diplomatic Correspondent

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THE mystery of a young student farmer's death in a blazing sports car parked in a field at [illegible] near [illegible], Gloucestershire, was being investigated yesterday.

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Soon afterwards he disappeared overboard and passengers raised the alarm. Lifebelts were thrown into the water and the ship was turned about. For a time he was seen floating with his hands behind his head. But there was no trace of him when the ship returned to the spot.

U.S. MAYOR 'OPENS' RIVER SHOWBOAT

BY Transatlantic telephone the Festival Gardens £15,000 showboat—a replica of an old Mississippi steam paddle-boat—was declared open last night by Mr. C. J. Menotti, Mayor of Mansfield, Missouri, who was speaking from 3,000 miles away.

From the showboat—built on a barge over the Thames at Battersea—Mr. Edwin Bayliss, chairman of the L.C.C., said the mayor:

"Today is our Empire Day, so it is with more appropriate that this historic link should be made between the two largest English-speaking nations of the world."

Yesterday's attendance — the opening day—was 18,447.

Couple Found Dead

Police have ordered post-mortem examinations on Mr. Robert Broadhead and his invalid wife. Mrs. Broadhead, 74, who was found dead in their flat at Normanpope-gardens, Moorside-street, Pimlico, early this morning. Police think the fall after being told that neighbours had not seen the couple since Thursday.

Today's Weather

Continuing fine and warm in most parts. Cooler on the East Coast than elsewhere.

Outlook: Freshly 21th change.

The Flying Bassin shows dark, tilts, and gradually loses height, so that much of its top surface, with a dome-shaped centre inside an inner ring, can be seen clearly from the ground.

Almost perpendicular, the disc finally shoots out to zoom at an astounding speed—to return to its secret source.

The first sight. They thought it was a plane.

Another view of the upper surface.

Two GIs Held After Raid

TWO GIs who held up a Jewish's wife with a sawn-off shot gun were stunned for more than a min through the streets yesterday, Manchester, yesterday.

Mrs. Mary Dan, 36, and her daughter Sheila, eight, were alone in the shop in Western-street when two men came in.

Two men were arrested later, police said last night. The U.S. Government have been taken into custody, and will be handed over to the U.S. Provost Marshal.

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J. D. S. ALAN, our Air Correspondent, writes:

Striking difference between the new air photos and several previous records, sketches, and photographs of Flying Saucers from various parts of the world, are that the usual saucer contrail seen is replaced by a small cupola, and that there is a thickening of the disc on upper and lower surfaces, almost like two bowls. The cupola and the rim of the machine.

Puzzling Silence

If the machine is driven by atomic power, this thickening might help to explain the scoring and blackness needed to filter the rays of the sun.

The silence is puzzling, and seems to dismiss power by turning jets. Many people who believe that power was come from the crossing of lines of magnetic force. They believe that such lines exist throughout the universe, and that power can be induced from one to the other, the distance between two clouds.

Sir Miles Thomas, chairman of BOAC, shown the pictures last night, said: "I think it is the wind over a DC-4 or a DC-6. What is usually a thick grey pressed duralumin cowl—which is fixed over the whole nose the aeroengine is on. As it was seen in an area normally used by aircraft, it is quite likely that one of the crews could have become disturbed.

This opinion confirm, however, with the reporters' statement that the object appeared to be about twice the size of an airplane, and also a comparison of original photographs of the Brazilian pictures and DC-4 which does not reveal the similarity suggested by Sir Miles.

The last glimpse caught by the camera — an enlarged version of the lower pictures in Columns Two and Three.

How the disc appeared as it soared over the reporters.

Joan Martins and Ed Kettel, the newspapermen who spotted and "scooped" it.

Man Drowned In Pond

A man believed to be Alexander Donald Rose, stationed at Seaton, N.W., disappeared under the ice while swimming in the Swan Barn Pond, Seaton, yesterday. Police dragged the pond but did not recover a body.

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Jo'burg Police Baton Charge Workers

From Our JOHANNESBURG Reporter

AT least 50 people, mostly coloured women, were injured when disorders broke out yesterday at a protest meeting outside Johannesburg City Hall. The meeting was called to protest against the ban on the general secretary of the Garment Workers' Union, Emil Solomon Nocks, under the Suppression of Communism Act.

Shots closed the ban, and addressed the meeting. Police arrested and arrested him, and the crowd turned on the police, who retreated with Shots into the city hall.

Then they cleared the demonstrators and struck down many with batons.

Post Office Savings Change

The rule that a Post Office Savings Bank book must be returned to Head office for inspection when a page is filled will, from tomorrow, be replaced by a ruling that two pages should be full.

A 33 To 1 Dog Winner

The greyhound, Wild Well, owned by Enid Flanagan, won a race at White City last night at 33-1. One of the leading bookmakers thought so much of his chance that he laid bets freely at 100-1 and lost £15,000 on the race.

Lighting-Up Time (London)

MAY 20-28 (B.S.T.)

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Jenny trips up badly...

THE SCHOOL BELL hadn't rung yet and Jenny felt fine in her new white frock. Washed in one of the new washing powders!

She skipped gaily on her way. . . . And then Aunt came by—in a white frock that was so dazzling white everyone could see the difference with half an eye!

Auntie said: "Now, there's a girl whose Mum knows that Persil washes whiter!"

THE HIDDEN HORRORS

Persil whitens invisibly through-and-through dinginess. Millions of oxygen bubbles ease out the dirt as nothing else can—as was proved recently when Persil won the Good Housekeeping Institute's great Whiteness Test. Six famous washing powders were tested—and 505 out of 526 housewives voted the Persil-washed tea-towel the whitest of all!

Yes, Persil beats the lot!

And Persil forms NO SCUM, even in hard water.

WOOLLENS AND COLOURED, TOO

Persil cleanses brings up your coloureds brighter, fresher, woollens softer, silks whiter!

Yes, Persil is kind to ALL your wash—and to your hands! You can feel it is!

AND THAT MEANS CLEANER!

Persil washes whiter!

Santarem & Alcobaca, Portugal, May 15, 1952 AI-P-6

Lisbonne, May 15 (AFP)— Strange phenomena of different sorts have been observed late this morning in the sky of Portugal.

First, at Santarem, 50 miles east of Lisbon, observers saw a 'ball of smoke' moving slowly from north to south at a great altitude. Secondly, at Alcobaca, 90 miles north of Lisbon, a large number of persons say they saw a "flying cigar" of luminous appearance maneuver over the town, then disappear at great speed, leaving a trail of white smoke. (Transl. A. Mabene)

MALUNG, SWEDEN, May 16, 1952 AI-P-7

STOCKHOLM, May 16, 1952 (Reuters)— A 'flying tumbler,' the latest in mystery projectiles, was seen over Malung, in Central Sweden today. Villagers described it as a big glass plane, lit up inside and moving silently through the sky. Scientists think it probably was a meteor.

PISA, ITALY, May 18, 1952 AI-P-8

PISA, May 18, 1952 (AFP)— An oblong object flew over Pisa at a very high speed leaving a wake of smoke, which many persons saw. The Airport Control Service said it could not be a jet plane, since no such plane's passage had been reported.

ANCONA, ITALY, May 20, 1952 AI-P-9

ANCONA, May 21, 1952 (ANSA)— Several persons walking along Ancona's main street saw last night a flying saucer moving rapidly across the sky in a north-western direction. The object left a greenish-like trail and could be clearly observed for about 30 seconds.

ROME, May 21, 1952 (ANSA)— A flying saucer, leaving a greenish wake behind it, was seen over Ancona heading northwest at a high speed. It remained visible for more than 30 seconds.

CARIGNANO and SESTRI, ITALY, May 21, 1952 AI-P-10

GENOA, May 22, 1952 (ANSA)— Residents of Carignano and Sestri on the Ligurian coast south of Genoa saw last night a flying saucer object of circular shape approaching the coast from the sea at great altitude and speed and disappearing behind the coastal mountain range towards the east.

BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA, May 24, 1952 AI-P-11

BUENOS AIRES, June 2, 1952 (Montevideo in Spanish to Uruguay and S.A.)— The evening newspaper "La Razon" reported that three inhabitants of Buenos Aires saw two flying saucers on May 24, at 10:00 o'clock (p.m. presumably)

Dr. Pedro (Worshi), Sr. Jose Perez, and Pedro A. Lara saw two bright discs pass through the sky from west to east for 7 seconds and finally disappear to the south. They said that the discs moved in a counterclockwise spiral motion. In the front they had a white light and they gave off a bluish flame in the rear. Their diameter appeared to be about 30 centimeters and they traveled at a 15 to 20 degree angle.

When asked if it might not have been a celestial phenomena, Dr. (Worshi) answered that he was positive it was not. "By the way it moved one could see that it was guided from some place or by someone within."

Colmar (Alsace), France, May 31, 1952 AI-P-12

Colmar, May 31, 1952 (AFP)— Yesterday, about 11:30 p.m. local time, a disc of white color moving with great rapidity from east to west and leaving a red and bluish trail behind it was seen in the sky north of Colmar by a night watchman of a trucking firm and his assistant. (Transl. A. Mabene)

MALAGA, MARBELLA, AND ESTEPONA, SPAIN, June 2, 1952 AI-P-13

MALAGA, June 2, 1952 (AFP)— A bright flying disc shaped like a mushroom flew for about an hour—from 1230 to 1330 GMT—above the Spanish coast between Malaga, Marbella and Estepona.

Thousands of people claim to have seen the flying saucer, which, coming from the Mediterranean, moved in a southeast(or southward) direction at a height of about 5,000 meters, then reversed itself to a northward direction and disappeared over the horizon.

Witnesses of this incident further state that the flying saucer left trails of condensation in its wake.

PALERMO, ITALY, June 3, 1952 AI-P-14

Palermo, June 3, 1952 (AFP)— A flying saucer was seen by three persons who were on an outing near Palermo, in Sicily. At the moment when they first became aware of it the disc it was immobile, at a height of about 3,000 meters. Then it began to sway from right to left, and after a few evolutions in the sky it disappeared with great speed in the direction of the sea.

Poitiers, France, June 3, 1952 AI-P15

Poitiers, June 3 (AFP)— A resident of Poitiers saw in the sky, about 9:30 a.m.(local time) this morning, a strange brilliant-russet-colored object, moving by jumps at high velocity at a very high altitude.

He immediately summoned his wife and a neighbor, who likewise saw the "flying saucer" distinctly before it disappeared above some clouds. (Transl. A. Mabene).

Catania & Ancona, Italy, June 3 & 4, 1952 AI-P-16

Catania, Sicily, June 4 (Reuters)— Another rash of "flying saucers" has broken out in Sicily and Italy. Many persons reported seeing a "silvery object" cross Catania at a very high altitude today. Two other saucers were reported over Ancona, on Italy's Coast, late yesterday. (Transl. A. Mabene)

Catania, June 4 (AFP)— Numerous residents of the Sicilian town of Catania were able to observe a flying saucer Wednesday as it maneuvered above them for a long time. According to some of the witnesses, the disc was at an altitude of about 30,000 feet. Of silvery color, it moved very slowly and stopped altogether on several occasions, but eventually it disappeared at a very high velocity in the direction of the sea. According to the Giornale d'Italia, the strange object was also observed by the Catania airport. It prints the statement of aviation commander Vittorio Sanzone, who followed the maneuvers of the saucer with fieldglasses. Comdr. Sanzone states in particular that the object was in every respect similar to that recently photographed by two Brazilian journalists. (Transl. A. Mabene)

It is certain that on June 8, 1952 a "cigar" flew over (a ovulne) near Dijon, producing a white smoke and emitting a roar (grondement).

"A MOTIONLESS LUMINOUS BALL." On June 12, 1952, the crew of an Air France plane and the control tower at Bourget reported the presence of a luminous ball in the sky, which remained motionless for an hour, then took itself off. [See Michel, pp. 194-99, "La Soucoupe de Bourget."]

Barcelonnette, France, June 16/17, 1952 AI-F-18

Barcelonnette, June 17 (AFP)— A bright light appeared in the sky on the night of June 16-17 above the mountain called "The Gendarme's Hat", at an altitude of about 10,000 feet.

After travelling in a straight line to the northeast for about 5 seconds, the light shot upward at a dizzying speed, leaving a short trail of green color, and disappeared. The phenomenon lasted only ten seconds and produced no sound. (Tr. A.Kabeen)

PARIS, June 12, 13, 1952 AI-F-17

PARIS, June 17, 1952 (INS)—The Paris Newspaper France Soir said today that several persons reported seeing "flying saucers" over Paris last Thursday night and early Friday.

A commercial pilot in the control tower at Le Bourget Airport was quoted as describing the "flying saucer" as a "ball of fire bigger than a star."

A French industrialist, his wife and maid also were quoted as saying they saw a "brilliant spot, moving rapidly upward then falling."

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PARIS, June 17, 1952 (Reuters)— A fresh wave of flying saucer reports swept France today.

An employee of Le Bourget Airport Control Tower claimed that last Friday he saw a "star, red like the setting sun," about four times the size of an ordinary star, hovering southeast of the airfield.

The pilot of a french transport plane also saw the "star," reported to the control tower, and made an extra circuit to get a closer look. But as he circled, the star moved into the wind and vanished.

Last Sunday (June 15), Albert Roux, who lives near Le Bourget, reported seeing a white silvery disc cross the sky from northeast to southeast "about four times as fast as a jet plane."

Thirty different people in Cholet, western France, said they saw a "flying saucer" streaking across the sky.

To the east, near Nancy, woodcutters reported a "contraption like an immense parachute" disappearing behind a cloud after losing height.

banning publication of the location of sightings, and requiring newspapers to use the dateline "somewhere in Sweden." [32]

Mysterious fireballs and cigar-shaped UFOs were observed all summer. [33] Finally, in October the defense ministry announced that it had been unable to discover the origin or nature of the "ghost rockets." Of 1800 reports studied, about 80% were attributed to "celestial phenomena." But, the report continued, radar detected some "which cannot be the phenomena of nature or products of imagination, nor be referred to as Swedish planes..." [34]

Flying Saucers Reported Over Korea and Japan

Saucers Seen In Far East

On July 16, 1952, the newspaper La Liberté of Chiboto published an item from its correspondent in the region of Mandoval (Ancash), to the effect that various people had seen a group of luminous discs in the sky. Two of the discs descended so low that one of them was "almost knocked down the church tower." According to the witnesses, these discs were rotating like airplane propellers. After executing some maneuvers--which gave the observers the impression that they were intelligently controlled--they disappeared behind the Chanta and Lacabamba mountains at 4 P.M.

(Remarkable, if true. I know of no case of saucers having been seen at such a low altitude. Since Mandoval is a small village of unsophisticated people, the description may be exaggerated; or it may not be.)

AF-8-21

Auvergne, France, July 18, 1952

Clermont Ferrand, July 24 (AFP)— A young electrician has taken 4 photographs of a flying saucer with a precision camera equipped with a telephoto lens.

Last Friday(July 18) M. Andre Fregnale, 30, who was carrying out geological researches on the ramparts of the Cancy massif (Puy-de-Dome), noticed a circular object traveling from west to east, at an altitude which he was able to estimate as between two and five miles. At this time M. Fregnale was at the height of Lake Chauvet, between Besse-en-Chandesse and Condat-en-Feniers.

Being a keen amateur photographer and a practised moviemaker, well known for his films on cave exploration, M. Fregnale had with him a precision camera with telephoto lens. He took four photographs and immediately made a sketch of the object. This, he says, had the form of an oval saucer with an apparent slight bulge in the centre of the underside. He had the impression that the rim surrounding this central bulge was rotating. Around this circular rim he could clearly perceive a brilliant circle. He also had the impression that underneath the object there were paddle-like blades, or a gyroscopic system, in very rapid rotation. This feature is responsible, according to him, for the bright spot distinctly visible on his photographs.

M. Fregnale was struck by the straightness of the path followed by the craft. As for its speed, he estimates this as 1000 feet/sec. (700 mph) if it was flying at 2 miles altitude, and 2500 feet/sec (1800 mph) if at five miles. Although the atmosphere was absolutely calm, he heard no sound. If the engine is jet-propelled, he surmises, it produces no audible vibrations. This would be possible if the sound waves were of a frequency exceeding 16,000 cycles/sec.

Clermont Ferrand, July 25 (AFP)— As we know, M. Andre Fregnale, construction electrician and photographer, claims that on the 18th of July, at about 4 p.m., he saw a flying saucer in the sky of Auvergne, and offers three photographs to support his allegation.

When questioned on this subject, M. Hubert Garrigue, in charge of the observatory on the summit of Puy-de-Dome, made the following statement:

"I am skeptical. All over the world there are astronomers specializing in the mapping of the sky (or in other fields), continually scrutinising the heavens with powerful instruments. Now, not one of these astronomers has ever observed the slightest phenomenon of 'flying saucer' type. Aerophysicists and meteorologists similarly possess no record on such things. If there were really unusual vessels, they would necessarily be of great size, noisy, and visible to everyone. As to a space craft coming from other planets, this is very improbably. Indisputable traces would have been found, which has never been the case."

Mr. Fregnale was then questioned again, and declared:

'Certain people claim that I merely photographed a weather balloon, and that I was deceived by my imagination. I have worked in aviation, and therefore I have often observed weather balloons, which are transparent. Now, the disc I photographed at no time appeared to the eye except as a shape horizontally flattened. Moreover, the speed and of travel was much too great to be that of a weather balloon propelled by the wind.

"Furthermore, weather balloons are launched in the region of central Puy and Aulnat. On the day in question the wind was blowing toward the northwest. Now, the machine that crossed the sky was traveling from west to east." (Transl. A. Mahaney)

IMPORTANT CASE: On July 19, 1952, a saucer passed over the city of Iberia in Madre de Dios. This object was photographed. It left a long train behind it, while it was crossing the sky, all radio service of the Corporacion Peruana del Amazonas in the town was paralyzed.

OBJECT WAS DEF. DISC-SHAPED, AS SEEN FROM SEVERAL POINTS

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FLYING SAUCER OVER PERU

There's a strong possibility that saucers were flying over South America a thousand years ago (See article beginning on Page 9); but whether or not there were any saucers around then, modern Peru has been having its share of them. The above photo, never before published in the U.S., was taken in the Madre de Dios section of eastern Peru on July 19, 1952. The photographer was a customs inspector named Domingo Troncoso, who was taking pictures of his children when this amazing object flew by at about 100 mph. The object was also seen by an agricultural engineer and several other reputable people in widely separated parts of the Madre de Dios.

Herald Journal

SYRACUSE, N. Y., SUNDAY MORNING, JULY 20, 1952

WITNESS

Saw Flying Saucer in Russ Zone

'WARMING PAN' HAD 2 IN CREW

By Anthony Terry

BERLIN

Old Hawaiians Not Mystified By Rash of 'Flying Saucers'

STAR-BULLETIN

SAT AUG 9 1952

By CLARICE B. TAYLOR

What is a flying saucer?

Ask any Hawaiian and he will give you the answer right off. There is no mystery about them, they are Akualele—"flying gods" or "flying spirits."

A Hawaiian will tell you that his people have seen and observed Akualele for many generations.

They have learned how to live with them and get along with them. In fact, they used to have schools of priests who made it their business to understand Akualele.

WHEN CHIEF DIED

Hawaiians living today can tell about seeing a streak of light flash across the sky at night when some beloved chief has died and his soul has sped to Kualheiani, the Hawaiian heaven.

Others have seen balls of fire rolling out of cemeteries. These balls are the spirits of the dead lingering about the remains of the body they inhabited in life.

But the Akualele which most often flashes across the sky is the old poison god, Kalaipahoa of Molokai. If one of the old priests attached to Kalaipahoa were living he could explain why so many Akualele are being seen today.

Kalaipahoa, "cut with a pahoa ax," was a terrible god for those who feared him, but a healer for those who worshipped him.

Kalaipahoa took possession of a tree growing on Molokai and this tree was revealed to a priest in a dream.

The priest became the guardian of the god Kalaipahoa and the interpreter of the god's ways. Some folks called this priest and his followers sorcerers.

The priest made a wooden image of Kalaipahoa from a portion of the tree. He kept all the chips, for they could poison a man or a woman.

When the priest exercised his power, he would chip a bit from the tree, soak it in water and make a ball.

Then he threw the ball through the heavens straight into the house of the person for whom it was intended. The ball appeared like a flame in the heavens.

Before throwing the ball the priest ordered Kalaipahoa to fly straight to his destination, saying: "You will get your food and drink (awa) at this man's house."

AWFUL DEATH

Of course, the man ordinarily did not know the Akualele was landing in his house and he would not put out food or awa for the god. So he would die some sort of an awful death, often a swollen stomach.

If the man knew the Akualele was coming to his house, he set out food and awa and prayed to Kalaipahoa. In this way he saved his life and was cured of his illnesses.

Nowadays a Christian Hawaiian may tell you that the Akualele is the devil himself.

oviet Fireballs in Alaska Skies

y Robert S. Allen

Chicago, July 21—There is another important matter besides residential politics on the minds top officials attending the emocratic convention. It is a ravely alarming and baffling ecret.

Scientists and military authorities have established beyond any estion of doubt that Russian nes and missiles of some kind secretly invading U. S. skies. Soviet planes have been repeatedly traced as far south as the Alaska Peninsula, extending off southwest coast of Alaska. hese mysterious flights at tremendous heights have been going for at least three months. hey are obvious reconnaissance training missions, or both. Other suspected Russian planes have been reported far to the south in Alaska, but these identifications are less certain than the others.

But most sinister of all are the guided missiles. These things pop up in the press from time to time. The disquieting missiles are entirely different. They are what are usually described as fireballs of various hues, mostly green.

One reason why authorities are privately so disturbed about these mysterious devices is that they are comparable to certain highly secret and extraordinary U. S. developments in this field.

On the theory that if we can devise certain weapons then others can make them too, the increasingly frequent reports of strange fireballs are viewed by officials are profoundly disquieting evidence that there is a lot to them.

For security reasons, only a few of these areas can be cited. One of them is the Baltic Sea, where two Swedish reconnaissance planes were shot down by the Russians last month. The Reds have been conducting missile-type projects in this region since 1946, and Sweden and others have extensive data on Soviet "fireballs."

Devices that are apparently very similar to those that have been seen in the Baltic have been authoritatively accounted for in three different places in the United States.

In each of these locations is a vital defense installation—one of them atomic. A leading American authority on fireballs is Dr. Lincoln La Paz, meteoriticies of the University of New Mexico.

He stresses that there is a big difference between these fireballs and "shooting stars." The former are man-made, and the latter are not. Late July and August is the period when shooting stars usually bombard the earth. That is a natural phenomenon.

"But there is a clear distinction between shooting stars and the so-called green fireballs," explains Dr. La Paz. "Shooting stars are ordinarily whitish, yellowish or orange-colored. The fireball, on the other hand, is bright yellow-green or copper-green. They are definitely not shooting stars."

Note: The government will pay a large sum of money to anyone who finds a piece of green fireball, no matter how small. Contact Dr. La Paz or the Air Force immediately if you locate a particle.

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PIACENZA, Italy, July 23, 1952

PIACENZA, July 24, 1952 (ANSA)— A flying saucer was observed yesterday afternoon at an altitude of 25,000 to 30,000 feet over Piacenza, 80 miles southeast from Milan in the Po Valley. The object irradiated a silvery light and left a vapor trail. It hovered for a few moments over the city, then moved laterally from west to east and finally rose vertically disappearing from sight.

AI-F-23

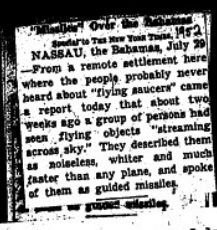
DARWIN, Australia, July 26, 1952

MELBOURNE, July 28, 1952 (Reuters)— Capt. J. Murray, Constellation pilot for Qantas(sic) Airlines, today reported sighting a strange, bright green object flashing horizontally from east to west across the night sky, south of Darwin, during the weekend.

Saying it changed in color to red and then to gold as it disappeared, he added: "I am a believer in flying saucers and I think this may have been one."

Murray said the object he saw Saturday night was not a shooting star or comet because of its horizontal flight, brilliance and color.

A score of ground observers backed up Murray's statement.



Reports Over the Bahamas

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES. 1952

NASSAU, the Bahamas, July 29 —From a remote settlement here where the people probably never heard about "flying saucers" came a report today that about two weeks ago a group of persons had seen flying objects "streaming across sky." They described them as noiseless, whiter and much faster than any plane, and spoke of them as guided missiles.

guided missiles.

ANDUJAR, Spain, July 30, 1952 AI-F-24

MADRID, July 31, 1952 (Spanish Home Service)-- At 9:30 on the night of July 30, in Andujar, many persons saw a strange object passing from west to east at great speed and without noise. It was circular in shape, about the size of a dessert dish, and red in color. It left behind it a trail of very brilliant greenish light.

NISIDA, Italy, July 30, 1952 AI-F-25

NAPLES, July 31, 1952 (ANSA)-- Residents of Nisida, a suburb of Naples on the Waterfront, saw last night a flying object eminating an intense white light which crossed the sky from south to north at great altitude and speed.

TOKYO, August 1, 1952 AI-F-27

TOKYO, August 2, 1952 (Reuters)-- "Flying Saucers" appeared over Japanese territory for the first time last night.

The newspaper "Yomiuri" reported residents of western suburbs of Tokyo saw various lights moving in the sky. One person described a light as "like a lump of moon and traveling very fast." Another person ~~quoted~~ was quoted as seeing a "bluish light with a tail sweeping across the sky."

Officials of the Central Weather Bureau reported they saw strange lights which "could not have been fireworks or shooting stars."

TOKYO, Saturday, Aug. 2 (INS)-- "Flying Saucers" were reported over Tokyo last night. The newspaper Yomiuri said at least three persons in the Japanese Capitol saw a bluish "ball of light" with a fiery trail streak across the sky.

One of the witnesses of the phenomenon was an astromoner of the Tokyo Meteorological observatory.

The daily (Yomiuri?) quoted the astronomer, Kosuke Miyazaki, as saying he saw a whitish light with a tail of flame. He said: From the direction and angle it was flying, it could not have been fireworks shot up from the ground and it was too large to have been a shooting star. I have no idea what it could be."

TOKYO, August 1, 1952 AI-F-27

(continuation from another AP dispatch)

Tokyo, too had a saucer report.

Kosuke Miyazaki, 27, of the Central Meteorological Observatory, said he saw a greenish-white thing with a tail flying through the sky Friday night. (Aug 1.)

Makoto Sakai, 19, a University student, saw it, too. But he said it was bluish white(so did Miyazaki, according to INS--TRB) and split into halves before disappearing.

Another witness said it was orange-white.

Dr. Hideo Hirose of the Tokyo Astronomical Observatory didn't see it. But he said it must have been a meteor. (grrrrrrrr)

Bursa (Near Istambul), Turkey, August 1 or 2, 1952 AI-F-26

"Flying saucers" were seen by several persons in the sky of Bursa, near Istambul. According to these witnesses, the objects were visible for 30 seconds, then disappeared at a speed which they estimated ~~xxxxx~~ at 2000 miles per hour. The observers added that the saucers were flying at an altitude of about 5 miles.

INCIDENT NO. 5—Shortly before midnight on August 5, 1952, two airmen were walking toward the tower at Haneda AFB in Japan to begin their shift when they spotted a large round object bearing a light in the sky. Hurrying to the tower, they pointed it out to the other tower operators, and they took turns observing the object through 7x50 binoculars. Under the glasses, a less brilliant light could be seen around the edge of the object. The tower people called radar and gave them a bearing on the thing, and radar picked up a target in the immediate area. By correlating movement of the radar target and the visual UFO, they established that they were both observing the same object. The radar tracked the object at speeds varying from hovering to 800 knots. An F-94 was scrambled and vectored into the target. It got a radar lock-on and started to close on the object. At 6,000 yards, the jet lost radar contact and at the same time the tower and ground radar lost it, too. At the end of the sighting, the object as seen on the ground radar "broke up into three pieces which flew formation at quarter-mile intervals." During the incident, a weather balloon was released at the base, and the witnesses reported that its light was much dimmer than that of the UFO. One of the puzzling aspects of the incident was that neither the jet pilot nor the radar crew was able to get a visual sighting on the object, although each was closer to it than the air base tower.

Another important observation: At 5 A.M. on August 5, 1952, Captain Ray Sullivan, the pilot of a Panagra DC-3 en route from Lima to Panama (flight no. 320), flying at 3000 feet twenty minutes by air from Lima, saw three discs in the sky, flying in perfect formation at fantastic speed in a SSE direction. Capt. Sullivan, a North American with 8500 flying hours' experience, stated on his return to Lima:

"The objects were flying at an altitude of 8500 feet. I could see them clearly, first in front of me and then, when they passed, almost directly over the aircraft., and finally when they were behind me. (The discs were flying in the opposite direction to my plane.) They had an unmistakable metallic glustre which showed up plainly in the moonlight, since it was not yet dawn. The form of the objects was not round, but oval. They left a reddish-blue trail. They were enveloped in a sort of vapour. Their brilliance was so intense that it lighted up the plane when they came near. Their speed was in excess of 1600 km/hour."

"One of the things that most surprised me", said Sullivan, "was that when the objects passed near the plane, a pale red light could be seen in them, which was subsequently dimmed."

(This is another important detail. Was this red light some type of mechanism, such as radar, for the purpose of automatically preventing collisions during travel through the earth's atmosphere? --A. de la J.)

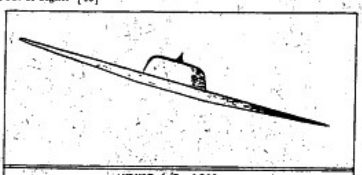
"The greatest diameter of the objects was 200 feet. I can say definitely that they were machines, and I think they are extraterrestrial objects coming from another planet", added Sullivan.

The three saucers observed by Sullivan were also observed, almost at the same time, by the meteorological observation post of CORPAC at Punta Lomas, near Chala, on the south coast of Peru.

On the same day, Aug. 5, 1952, Dr. José Ignacio Portocarrero and his family, in the city of Chiclayo, saw eight luminous spheres cross the sky from one horizon to the other at a tremendous speed. The saucers appeared in groups: first one, then two, then two more, and finally the rest, these successive appearances occupying fifteen minutes in all. The witnesses said that the objects made turns, "marches and countermarches", but that all followed the same course until they were lost from sight.

On the same day it was reported that on July 28, 1952, the Poet Laureate, Eduardo Ganosa Taboada had seen over the city of Trujillo an elongated saucer three times as large as the full moon, which was moving at tremendous speed.

On the night of August 6-7, 1952, Will Jansen, a marine engineer and designer, was visiting in Kerkrade, Holland. Just after midnight a disc-shaped craft with visible superstructure swooped down to low altitude, hovered, zig-zagged and sped away. A second disc-shaped UFO, similar in outline, was then seen hovering farther away. Finally it tilted up vertically and shot up out of sight. [43]



AUGUST 6/7, 1952
KERKRADE, HOLLAND

FIRST OF TWO DISCS OBSERVED BY WILL JANSEN, MARINE ENGINEER. "CABIN" PROTRUDED FROM UNDERSIDE TOO ON SECOND UFO.

Numerous UFO sightings in France have been thoroughly investigated and documented by Aime Michel, mathematician and engineer. (Author of "The Truth About Flying Saucers," Criterion Books, N.Y., 1956; and "Flying Saucers and the Straight Line Mystery," Criterion, 1958). Since 1958, M. Michel has joined forces with Rene Hardy, engineer at Drivomatic Laboratories in Paris, and other scientists to form a scientific commission to study UFO reports. Both Michel and Hardy also serve as NICAP Advisers.

AMSTERDAM, Holland, August 6/7, 1952 AI-F-28

AMSTERDAM, August 7, 1952 (Hilversum)--Dutch papers this morning are full of flying-saucer reports. Telephones at the editorial offices and at the meteorological Institute of de Bilt are constantly ringing with new reports or with requests for information. Conversations on street-cars and buses deal with little else.

In short, our peaceful Holland, like the United States, is now also under the spell of the flying-saucers. They have been observed from various places in the Netherlands, including Amsterdam, and a student from Delft even managed to snap a picture of one, which appears in this morning's edition of the "Telegraff."

Dutch papers are beginning to write feature editorials on the subject, much in the same way as they once dealt with the mythological sea snake(Loch Ness Monster?TRB). "De Telegraaf" blames all manifestations on a general state of worry and fear, which can easily cause halucinations. The more people are afraid, the more saucers they will see.

Madrid, Spain, August 7, 1952 AI-F-29

Madrid, Aug. 7 (AFP)— Three flying saucers were reported over Madrid the afternoon of August 7. Several of the city's inhabitants, from different sections, said that three round, luminous machines, which left a whitish wake, crossed the sky approximately from NE to SW. However, official observation centers did not record any such phenomenon, and the saucers were not seen by either the astronomical observatory at the Retiro or the one at Barajas Airport.

On Aug. 11, 1952, Dr. Aurelio Muro Canout saw from the gardens of his mother's home in the San Isidro district of Lima--together with a young lady who was with him--a luminous object moving from east to west. The time was 8:10 P.M. He estimated its altitude as 800 meters, and its speed was amazing. No sound was heard. Its form was that of a hat, twenty meters broad and 6 meters high according to his calculations. It was of a very brilliant blue-reddish colour. The illuminated part ended in something dark, with a metallic luster, from whose end there emerged a trail of a blazing red colour. Dr. Muro could not say whether this red portion was part of the mechanism, or the exhaust of the motor. He said that on July 9, 1950, while travelling by car from Huarmey to Casma, he had seen a similar object. On that occasion the saucer remained behind clouds, as if watching the people making a slight repair to the car. (I published an interview with this witness in the editorial column of El Comercio, Aug. 11, 1952.)

On the same day, from Bravo street of our city, Sr. Maximiliano D. Castellanos saw, at the same time, the same saucer seen at San Isidro by the above witness. He and the people with him saw a luminous globe of blue colour, which was moving at great speed. As it advanced, its shape elongated, and at the same time the colour changed from blue to brilliant red. (I also interviewed this witness-A. de la J.)

Finally, at the same hour on this same day, my own wife, who was at another place in Lima (the Plaza Bolognesi), happening to look up at the sky, saw the same object described by Dr. Muro, flying from San Isidro toward the centre of the city (where the Calle Bravo witness saw it.) She told me about this when I got home, without knowing anything about the other witnesses to the same phenomenon. These three observations are therefore independent, and are made by reliable people who saw the same object from different points in Lima and reported it without having had any contact with one another.

On the following day, Aug. 12, 1952, the young lady who had accompanied Dr. Muro Canout was questioned. She had been terrified by the silence with which the object moved, and by its brilliant colours.

A little later another witness came forward, who declared that he had seen the same object from still another point in Lima, the Plazuela de San Sebastián. This observer, Sr. Jesús García Requena, said that although his view of it was very brief, he had the impression that the object was rotating.

Finally, a letter signed by four persons was received from Matucana, Huarochirí, stating that on the same day (Aug. 11), at 8:15 P.M., they had seen a red, flattened object crossing the sky over that city, which left a very bright blue trail. There was no sound. The object rose to pass over the mountain ridge.

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JERUSALEM (Israel) got into the flying saucer act today.

The Jerusalem Post reported that a resident of Haifa had spotted a bright green elliptical object with a broad, rapidly revolving belt around its middle flying through the sky.

Israel's Seeing 'Em

N.Y. Daily Mirror 8/13/52

Jerusalem, Aug. 13 (AP)—Israel got into the flying saucer act today.

The Jerusalem Post reported that a resident of Haifa had spotted a bright green elliptical object with a broad, rapidly revolving belt around its middle flying through the sky.

The spotter told the paper, the object sped [illegible] Mount Carmel and disappeared over the sea within three seconds.

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On August 14, 1952, the engineer Martinelli reported that at 9 P.M. that evening, over the irrigation camp at Colemidin, he had seen two saucers of orange-red colour. They appeared, from opposite directions, at very low altitude, travelling at enormous velocity, but when they drew near to one another their speed decreased, and they finally came to rest; then, joined together, they disappeared toward the northeast at a low velocity. (A strange case; but Dr. Martinelli is a serious person.--A. de la J.)

On August 18, 1952, at 4 A.M., a formation of 8 flying saucers crossed the sky at the same place (Colemidin.) (This spelling seems to be the correct one--Translator.)

Timesgad, Baltimore & Shannon, Aug. 16, 17 & 19, 1952 AI-F-34

Dublin, August 20 (AFP)— 'Flying saucers' have been seen three times in the last few days.

The "News Record" reports today that 'a green object emitting a fluorescent light' was seen last Saturday(Aug. 16) evening by two electrical engineers over the West Meath town of Timesgad. The next day, in full daylight this time, a farmer and a fisherman observed for about 15 seconds over Baltimore, in Cork County, an 'object of circular form apparently emitting a certain amount of light, and traveling towards the sea."

Finally, last Tuesday(Aug. 19), near Shannon Airport, another farmer, Mr. John Bourne, notified the police after observing 'a green thing resembling a flatfish, traveling at a terrific speed above the airport.' (Transl. A. Mebane)

Spitzbergen, Norway, August 17, 1952 AI-F-32

Paris, Aug. 18 (AFP)— In an interview published by the Swedish daily Svenska Dagbladet and quoted by the Stockholm radio, Dr. Waldemar Beck confirms the statements he made recently in the German periodical Der Flieger concerning flying saucers, and he adds that these craft are a German invention perfected by the Russians during the last war.

The Stockholm radio also announces that several objects, probably guided missiles, were observed yesterday in Norway in the region of Spitzbergen, traveling from west to east. Several photographs were taken, and the Norwegian police, cooperating with the military, has opened an investigation. (Transl. A. Mebane)

BOGOTA, Colombia, August 17, 1952 AI-F-31

BOGOTA, August 17 (Reuters)— Hundreds of persons agreed today that early last night they saw a "flying saucer" disappearing behind the hills two miles north of Bogota.

Descriptions were all similar—an oval shaped object of great brilliance, emitting a trail of smoke and flying at tremendous speed at about 6,000 feet.

ROTTERDAM, Netherlands, August 18, 1952 and "a few days earlier". AI-F-33A

~~THE HAGUE, Aug. 19 (AFP)—~~

THE HAGUE, Aug. 19 (AFP)— Daan Visser, a student of the Schiedam Lyceum, near Rotterdam, has succeeded in photographing a flying saucer. A few days ago, he had seen the mysterious object flying in the area. At first the object was motionless, but soon it disappeared at an incredible speed.

Yesterday afternoon, while waiting for the sun to come out from behind the clouds to photograph his cat and dog, he again saw the same object. This time he kept his composure and succeeded in photographing the flying saucer. The Dutch Press today prints a clear snapshot of a very large black disc appearing motionless in the sky.

GANDER, Newfoundland, August 18, 1952 AI-F-33

By Charles Mc Cabe, INS Staff Correspondent

PARIS, Aug. 18 (INS)— A Trans-World Airlines Captain said tonight that he saw an 'extra-terrestrial object' flying directly head-on in front of his New York-to-Paris Airliner early today.

The pilot, Capt. Walter W. Hawkins, of Centerville, Pa., said the swiftly-moving object was 'too bright to be a star' and was nothing like any of the thousands of meteors he had seen. The object was sighted at 2:32 a.m. (10:32 p.m. Sunday EST) 115 miles east of Gander, Newfoundland.

Capt. Hawkins said it also was spotted by both the pilot and co-pilot of a TWA Airliner enroute from Frankfurt to Gander on their radar screen.

The object which he estimated to be traveling at an estimated speed of 700 mph was described by Capt. Hawkins as 'white with a faint reddish tint.'

Capt. Hawkins said he was flying above the clouds at 15,000 feet when he noticed the light right in front of him at exactly the same altitude.

Continuing, he said:

'It was too bright to be a star. Berlett (Leland Berlett, of Bethage, N.Y.), my relief pilot, noticed it at the same time.

'We flashed our nose light but there was no answering signal.

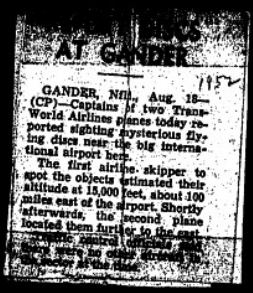
'It kept growing. Then, without appearing to accelerate, it veered to the left and travelled in a horizontal arc of about 45°. It remained constant in brilliance, and then just quit.'

The pilot said the object did not fade out but was "just like an electric light being turned off."

Capt. Hawkins said:

'I am convinced the object was not a plane. And it was not like any of the thousands of meteors I have seen.

'It had no tail and travelled horizontally—making two reasons why it wasn't a meteor, unless there is some new type.'



AT GANDER

GANDER, Nfld., Aug. 18— (CP)—Captains of two Trans-World Airlines planes today reported sighting mysterious flying discs near the big international airport here.

The first airline skipper to spot the objects estimated their altitude at 15,000 feet, about 100 miles east of the airport. Shortly afterwards, the second plane located them further to the east

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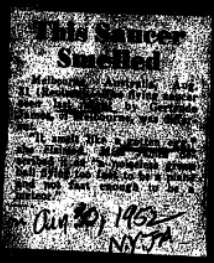

This Saucer Spotted

Aug 30, 1952 NYJA

Rome, Italy, August 29, 1952 AI-F-35

Rome, Aug. 30 (AFP)— Last night, a flying saucer was seen in the sky of Rome by four persons, who gave perfectly concordant descriptions of the objects.

The disc was very luminous and of a bluish color. Coming from the NW, it passed over the Italian at a blinding speed and disappeared in the southeast. The round form of the disc was plainly observed by the four witnesses.

(Transl. A. Mebane)

Pusan, Korea, Sept. 4, 1952 AI-F-35B

Pousan, Sept. 4 (AFP)— A "flying saucer" was supposedly seen today by several persons over Pusan, the temporary capital of South Korea. This is the second such report in two months.

According to the witnesses, the machine, of a whitish color, spun slowly above the city for 11 minutes, then disappeared at a "terrific" speed.

Hong Kong (China), September 12/13, 1952 AI-F-37

Taipeh, Sept. 15 (AFP)— According to an expert radio-telegrapher and meteorology student, fifteen flying saucers appeared in the sky of Hong Kong during Fri. night (Sept. 12-13). They were flying in a triangular formation, each one three times as brilliant as a star of the first magnitude, and traversed the ~~sky~~ sky in a southeasterly direction. The witness did not wish to reveal his identity until he had consulted the Hong Kong Observatory.

The director of the observatory declared today that nothing of the sort was recorded by his instruments, and the HOng Kong press seemed to know nothing of the matter. (Transl. by A. Mebane ["A fireball procession," ADM])

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BORNHOLM (2) Sept (13), 1952

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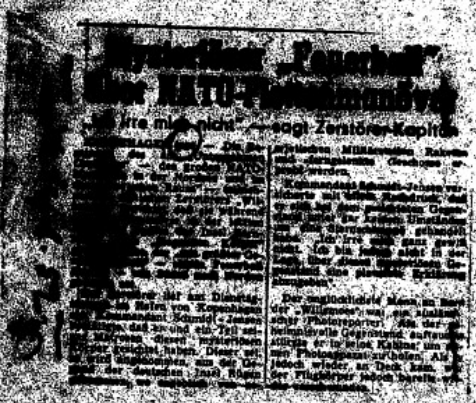
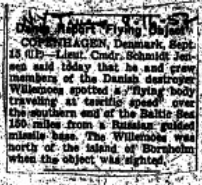


AP News, 9-15-52

Dane Sights One of 'Em

Copenhagen, Sept. 14 (AP)—Lt. Comdr. Smidt-Jensen, second incommand of the Danish destroyer Willemoes, said today he observed a mysterious glowing object moving across the sky at great speed north of the Island of Bornholm last night, heading southeast.

He described it as a bluish glowing triangle and estimated its speed at 1,500 kilometers (932 miles) an hour. The Willemoes is one of the vessels participating in the big NATO maneuver called Mainbrace.



Denmark Reports Flying Object

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Sept. 13 (UP)—Lieut. Cmdr. Schmidt Jensen said today that he and crew members of the Danish destroyer Willemoes spotted a "flying body traveling at tarrific speed" over the southern end of the Baltic Sea 150 miles from a Russian guided missile base. The Willemoes was north of the island of Bornholm when the object was sighted.

Mysterious "Fireball" Over NATO Fleet Manoeuvres

Copenhagen (UP)

The crew of the Danish destroyer "Willemoes" reports sighting a flying object last night north of Bornholm which flew "with highest speed" from South to North, looking like a fireball.

Capt. Schmidt-Jensen acknowledged that he and part of his crew saw the myst. object. They assumed it came from the vicinity of Rügen, German island in the Baltic, where Russia is said to experiment with guided missiles.

Schmidt-J. emphasized that under no circumstances did he and crew see a meteor or shooting star. He was, however, not able to explain the object plausibly.

The unlucky man aboard was a foreign press photographer. On first sighting the object he rushed to his cabin for his camera. When returning on deck the object had disappeared.

BORNHOLM, Denmark, September 13, 1952 AI-F-38

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 14 (AP)— Lt. Comdr. Smidt-Jensen, second in command of the Danish Coastal destroyer Willemoes, said today he observed a mysterious glowing object moving across the sky at great speed north of Bornholm last night, heading southeast.

He described it as a bluish glowing triangle abd estimated its speed at 1500 kilometers (937 miles) an hour. (From the N.Y. Herald Tribune, Sept. 15, 1952).

Also incl. translation of account in German.

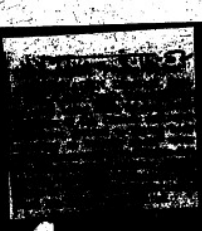
BLIDA, Italy, September 16, 1952 AI-F-39

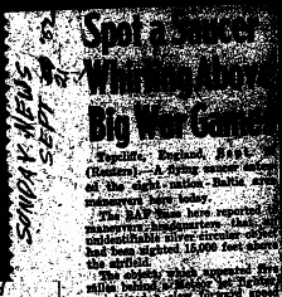
BLIDA, Sept. 17 (AFP)— About 1930, local time, Sept. 16, reputable citizens saw in the sky over Blida a "squadron" of flying saucers, which first flew in an arc formation and later in Indian file. The "squadron" resumed its arc formation four times before it disappeared in a northerly direction.

During Operation Mainbrace, extensive naval maneuvers in the North Sea on and about September 20, 1952, UFOs were sighted in the vicinity on several occasions. [See Section XII, Operation Mainbrace Chronology] On the 20th, a silvery disc of metallic appearance was observed passing swiftly over the Allied fleet. Wallace Litwin, an American newsman on board the aircraft carrier "Franklin Roosevelt," took three color photographs of the UFO. As far as is known, the pictures have never been published and no explanation of the incident was offered.

A few of the reports which have concerned British authorities: Topcliffe, September 20, 1952 (Reuters) -- "A flying saucer entered the eight-nation Baltic area maneuvers ["Operation Mainbrace"] here today. The RAF base here reported to maneuver headquarters that an unidentifiable silver circular object had been sighted 15,000 feet above the airfield. The object, which appeared five miles behind a Meteor jet fighter [piloted by Lt. John W. Kilburn], maintained a slow forward speed before descending in a swinging pendulum motion. Then it began a rotary motion about its own axis and accelerated at an incredible speed in a westerly direction but later turned southeast. It was seen by RAF officers and men on the airfield."

While "Operation Mainbrace" was in full swing nearby in the North Sea during September 1952, a shining apparently metallic disc was seen on the 20th by three Danish Air Force officers. About 7:30 p.m., the UFO sped over Karup Airfield, Denmark, disappearing in clouds to the east.





SUNDAY NEWS SEPT. 21

Spot a Saucer? What Then? Why, Big War Game

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It was seen by RAF officers and men on the airfield.

The whole incident lasted between 15 and 20 seconds.

An RAF spokesman would not say whether the story was being treated as serious, but it was being investigated.

New File Opened

RAF Seeing Air Saucers

TOPCLIFFE, England, Sept. 20 (AP).

"OPERATION MAINBRACE" headquarters here opened a new signal file today: "Flying saucer sightings and movements."

The Air Ministry said it was investigating a report a silver-colored circular object was spotted yesterday by Royal Air Force planes from this airfield taking part in the big Atlantic Pact naval exercises.

Crewmen of a bomber said they saw the object moving through the sky about 15,000 feet up at a speed faster than a shooting star.

During the brief glimpse—between 15 and 20 seconds—the object was reported to have switched its course, and then seemed to descend.

Later, an Air Ministry meteorological office spokesman suggested "the object could have been a meteorological balloon. They are released daily."

The silver-colored balloons are about six feet in height.

2000 Marines to Race Across

On Jutland Tip in War Game

WASHINGTON POST 9-21-52

OSLO, Norway, Sept. 20 (AP)—United States Marines sailed in World War II landing craft tonight toward a landing on the Danish coast in the second phase of a giant mock struggle for Scandinavia that is being staged by eight North Atlantic powers.

The 2000 Marines, members of the reinforced 2nd Battalion of the Second Regiment, Camp Lejeune, N.C., sailed aboard U. S. Navy vessels of light carriage and medium warships as they headed for a pre-dawn beachhead at the northern tip of Jutland.

They will reinforce friendly forces ashore.

The U.S.S. Carpellotti, a fast destroyer escort, carries a contingent of frogmen, underwater demolition experts.

At "enemy" force of Group submarines and other craft was reported operating in the straits between Norway and Denmark to give opposition.

The Allied nation operation Mainbrace, Norway's greatest air, sea and land maneuvers since World War II, resumes this week. Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway's North Atlantic command in Europe is hard pressed to save Europe from a mythical invader, and has called on United States Admiral Lynde McCormick's NATO sea command in the North Atlantic for aid.

In the first phase of the maneuver, which is to continue until September 28, the naval forces demonstrated their ability to rush effective aid to Norway, a northernmost member of the alliance.

The second phase is designed showing how the Danish straits could be kept from being knocked out by an enemy in wartime. Denmark is of strategic importance to control the Skagerrak and Kattegat straits and the Kiel Canal, gateways to the Baltic, where Russia regards almost as her private lake.

Nearly 200 ships and 80,000 men are engaged in the exercise.

A new element entered the exercise today when opposing headquarters disclosed that an object "seen" by RAF aircraft at Topcliffe, Yorkshire, on Sept. 9 was a silver flying saucer. The object, while taking part in maneuvers,

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Une soucoupe volante derrière un "Meteor" à l'opération "Grande Vergue"?

LONDRES, 21. — Les soucoupes volantes vont-elles recevoir un cachet d'authenticité officielle? On pourrait être amené à le croire en lisant le compte rendu fait ce matin par la station « Toplisse » de la Royal Air Force, participant aux manœuvres « grande vergue » dans les mers nordiques.

La direction de cette station aurait été prévenue de la présence d'un objet blanc argenté, circulaire, repéré à cinq mille mètres d'altitude au-dessus de l'aérodrome. Cet objet n'a été aperçu volant derrière un avion « Meteor » que lorsqu'il eut atteint une de ces dernières la vitesse était si grande qu'il descendait vers la terre avec un mouvement oscillant de pendule de « Meteor » dirigeait vers l'aérodrome de Dishforth (Yorkshire) et la « soucoupe » semblait le suivre à distance de quelques kilomètres.

L'objet ne pouvait se rapporter de la station de la R. A. F. peu avant de disparaître. Il commença à tourner sur lui-même puis il s'en alla avec une vitesse incroyable vers l'Ouest. Enfin, avant de disparaître, il a changé complètement de route en direction du Sud-Est.

Les officiers et hommes de troupe de la R. A. F. qui ont aperçu l'objet, ont déclaré qu'il ne ressemblait à rien d'autre que ait été visible dans les airs. Son accélération dépassait tout ce qui est connu. Le phénomène a duré 20 minutes à vingt secondes.

"Report on Indonesia," 10/21/52

Objects in the Flying Saucer category have been reported in Indonesia from time to time. The latest story comes from Surabaja. On September 23 six people in the area observed "a shining white ball-shaped object." (Four of these witnesses were aboard a vessel, the other two in different sections of the city). The "ball" hurtled at great speed, apparently coming from the Southeast. It supposedly made a 45-degree turn and shot off to the North. It was visible for three or four seconds. One observer reported a zooming sound and a blue vapor trail. He said the "ball" appeared white hot. On September 26 two more objects were seen over the city. Two witnesses described them as "moving up and down rapidly." The first object was said to be of a yellow color, the second red-hued. These too were reportedly visible for four seconds.

Goteborg, Sweden, Sept. 28, 1952 AI-F-42

Stockholm, Sept. 28 (AFP)— Luminous phenomenon seem to be multiplying nowadays in the Scandinavian skies. While Finland and Denmark each had their flying saucer last week, three people, including a policeman, saw a round, shining object very high over Goteborg last night. Twice the size of a star, it went to and fro in every direction, as if dancing to a jazz tune, according to the words of the main witness.

This went on for a good hour before the object disappeared, leaving behind it a trail of smoke and even some sparks. For a few minutes three small satellites were noted revolving around the ~~xkjxxxkx~~ main object.

Almost at the same time, a lady in Stockholm noticed a flying saucer.

A large evening newspaper of the Swedish capital published today on its front page the photograph (a trifle blurred, to be sure) of a phenomenon of the same sort, observed in the province of Dalecarlia on the night of Sept. 15/16. It will be agreed that the mysterious forces of the universe, at this moment when the report of the American experts dismisses the subject, have a sense of the apropos.

(Transl. by A. Mebane)

9-3-52

Swedes See Flying Saucer

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (UP)—Reports poured in today that an object described variously as a fireball, a flying saucer or a flying cigar flew across Western Germany, Denmark and southern Sweden last night.

A high-ranking Swedish air force officer said the object was headed toward the Soviet Baltic coast when last sighted. He suggested it might be a Soviet guided missile fired from a Baltic base.

First reports came from Germany, where dozens of citizens said they saw "a brightly shining round ball with a comet-like tail" over Hamburg and Kiel.

Then Copenhagen newspapers and the Danish state radio reported hundreds of persons in Soenderborg and Copenhagen had telephoned they saw a low-flying cigar-shaped object moving eastward without any engine noise being audible.

Report Seeing Fiery Disc Over Denmark

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 28 (UP) —A "flying saucer" travelling at great speed from west to east was reported today to have been seen over Denmark and southern Sweden. It was described as cigar-shaped and spouting fire.

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KIEL & HAMBURG Sonn. Sept. 28, 1952

Germany

Here It Was A Meteor

In several towns of NW Germany, as Kiel, Neumünster and an eastern suburb of Hamburg, numerous citizens saw last night a bright-shining sphere in the sky which had a tail and travelled from W to E. During observation of the horizontal flight of the object it suddenly went out, according to witnesses.

Observatories reported at the same time no comets or meteors. Questioned by Abendpost, Prof. Heckmann of Hamburg Observatory voiced the opinion that after comparing all witness'accounts the object apparently must have been a meteor. (after this information it is apparent that the pheno. observed in NW Germany has nothing to do with observations made in Scandinavia. The editors.)

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"Flying Cigar" - To Be Taken Seriously This Time

Large parts of southern Denmark had an exciting Sunday evening as thousands of strollers watched a mysterious cigar-shaped object in the sky last night. News papers and radio stations were swamped with telephone calls.

In southern Sweden the same object was sighted which, in Denmark, was observable as far N as Copenhagen. Unanimous opinion among meteorologists and military authorities indicates that this time it was not an hallucination, but in all likelyhood a guided missile of unknown origin.

After compilation of all reports it was learned that the mysterious missile flew at rather low altitude and at tremendous speed in a generally eastern direction. It followed roughly a path along the Baltic coast: from the German border to the northern end of the island of Seeland and toward southern Sweden. The commander of the Swedish airbase at Ljunby said the object, looking like an aircraft less wings, "flew back home." Theoretical continuation of the flight path of the object leads to a point west of Gdingen (Gdinsk) on the Baltic.

This leads to the guess that this object originated at a Russian base along the Baltic's coast. (there follow details of supposed Russian firing procedures and supposed targets in the Baltic.-transl. The assumption that Sunday night's sightings from Jägersborg, Nakshov, Copenhagen, Vordingborg and Frederiksund concerned a Russian guided missile was underlined by an official Danish report, stating that on 20 September officers of a Danish airbase had observed a disc-shaped object which all described most emphatically as having been a guided missile.

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A dpa report
(Frankfurt/Main)
September 29, 1952

Goeteborg, Sweden, September 28, 1952 AI-F-42

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This went on for a good hour before the object disappeared, leaving behind a trail of smoke and even some sparks. For a few minutes three small satellites were noted revolving around the main object.

Copenhagen, Denmark, and Southern Sweden, Sept. 28, 1952 AI-F-43

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 29 (Reuters)— Astronomers today described the "flying cigar" seen moving with the speed of a jet plane across the Swedish skies last night as an exceptionally bright but slow-moving meteor.

The phenomenon was seen at a height of about 3,300 feet by a number of people in southwest and central Sweden.

Observers included three Air Force pilots, and meteorological assistant(sic) od Malmo Airfield.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 29 (INS)— A "flying saucer" traveling at great speed from west to east was reported today to have been seen over Denmark and Southern Sweden.

The mysterious object was described as cigar-shaped and spouting fire. One Copenhagen newspaper said it was swamped with some 200 telephone calls from persons claiming they saw the object last night.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 30-- Three Air Force officers from Karup Air Base in Jutland observed during the night of Sept. 26-27 a celestial phenomenon which they said was reminiscent of the well-known flying saucers. They observed a circular object with a tail, moving at high speed across the sky. They saw it for about 5 or 6 seconds.

While this phenomenon was seen by only a few witnesses, thousands of people on Sept. 28 all over the country saw a ball in the sky. It was observed not only in Denmark but on Sweden and Northern Germany, as well. The eye-witnesses decalred they had seen a luminous object wh ch moved parallel to the earth at great speed, in an easterly direction. The phenomenon was observed for about 3 seconds.

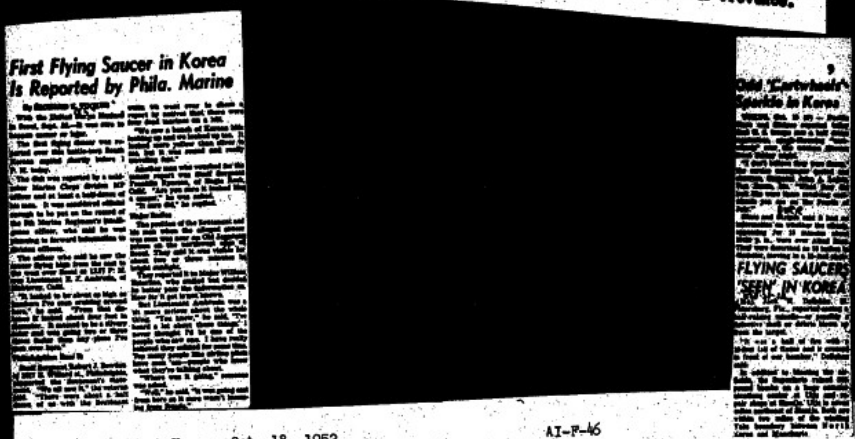
Some are of the opinion that thie was a flying saucer, others think it was in the shape of a cigar, and some said that it looked like two saucers on top of each other. Some state definitely that the ~~object~~ phenomenon did not have a tail; however, most observers state that the object had a luminous tail.

Curiously enough, neither the military nor the astronomers have any knowledge of the phenomenon, but in view of the thousands of reports the astronomers do not doubt that the object in question was a meteor. However, those who saw the phenomenon are not satisfied with this explanation, stating that the object looked completely different than a meteor.

Okey, so the meteor is out. However, we have something even better...

STOCKHOLM, October 6, 1952 (Reuters)— The Army said today that a flying saucer seen in south Sweden last week was a light phenomenon from the planet Jupiter. The Swedish defense staff said it was believed to have been caused by abnormal light refraction due to strong winds and varying humidity in the upper atmosphere.

"A CIGAR OVER PROVENCE." On October 6, 1952, during the night, the pilots of the regular Air France flight London-Paris-Nice met a "cigar" over Provence.



First Flying Saucer in Korea Is Reported by Phila. Marine

FLYING SAUCERS "SEEN" IN KOREA

West Korea, Oct. 18, 1952 AI-F-46

TOKYO, Oct. 19 (AP)-- Pacific Stars & Stripes reported today that U.S. Troops saw half-a-dozen mysterious, spark-throwing "cartwheels" over the western Korean Front Friday night.

Stars and Stripes said it had no information on whether the wheels, appearing for 15 minutes about 10:30 p.m., were over Allied Lines. They were described as 18 inches in diameter, moving in a 15-foot circle.

NICE, France, October 6, 1952 AI-F-45

NICE, Oct. 7 (Reuters)--Airport Worker Jacques Fonesca today reported he saw a "flying cigar" streaking over Nice from the Mediterranean yesterday. Pilots of an airliner also saw the object. It was traveling at "incredible speed" at about 20,000 feet.

Nice, Oct. 7 (Reuters)--Mrs. Charles Govern, 76, of (Orchard Farm) Greenwich, Conneticut, was among several persons who today reported having seen a "flying cigar" over the south of France yesterday.

Air France pilot Francis Cavasse, who first reported sighting the cigar, described it as "a luminous cigar-shaped object, bigger than any transport aircraft and quite different than a meteor, moving in a straight line at some 1,200 to 2,000 miles an hour."

Mrs. Govern, who is on vacation at the Riviera resort of Beaulieu-sur-mer, phoned a Nice newspaper to say she saw the [redacted] "cigar" while waiting at the Nice Airport for her son, Morton Govern, who was flying from Paris on the DC-4 piloted by Cavasse. Her discription of the object tallied with that given [redacted] by the airman and his co-pilot Michel Clement.

Also incl. German translation of account.

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FRANCE · DRAGUIGNAN (near NICE)

OCTOBER 6, 1952

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Erfahrene Piloten sagen: Kein Meteor

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Zigarrenform
Blauweiße Rauchschwade

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... Augenzeugen sind der festen Ueberzeu-... daß sie einen gelenkten Flugapparat ... Meteor gesehen haben.

Ghost Plane Experienced Pilots Say:
No Meteor
Cigar-Shape   Blueish-White Smoke Trail

Nice,7Oct.   According to UP two experienced pilots of Air France report that they encountered over Draguignan,Dept.Var at 7:28 PM central European Time, a cigar-shaped flying machine that could not have been anything else but a flying saucer. The pilots reported this Monday night upon landing at the airport of Nice.

The object was said to have crossed in front of the airliner, about one and a quarter miles distant and with a speed three times that of a jet plane. It was luminous and left a smoke-trail, blueish-white, twenty times its own length.

The pilots followed the path of the object for thirty seconds. Then it disappeared.

The witnesses expressed the opinion that they saw a controlled flying craft and not a meteor.

Translated by Herman H. Mitchell

Oloron, France (and Gaillac), 10 days later October 17, 1952 AI-F-47

Oloron, October 18 (AFP)— A mysterious elongated, cigar-shaped object, which maneuvered at high altitude this afternoon over the town of Oloron, in the southwest of France, dropped threads of an unknown substance which could be gathered up, and will be analysed.

According to the numerous persons who saw it, the machine followed an east-to-west path, leaving behind it thousands of multicolored circles quickly dissipating in the atmosphere. After a moment, it could be seen that the flying cigar was dropping a great quantity of fibres in its wake.

Oloron, October 20 (AFP)— Pupils of the Oloron High School who were at recreation, and their general superintendent, [redacted] observed a cigar-shaped machine moving from east to west in the sky last Friday afternoon, between 1 and 3 p.m.

The superintendent, M. Prigent, and his students gathered up filaments, which they believed to be of asbestos, after the passage of the objects. Since the school's physics teacher was unable to pronounce the true identity of the material, a match was put to it, and the fibre burned as rapidly as celluloid. Elsewhere, at the municipal stadium, the physical education teacher collected a handful of the fibres and put them in his portfolio. Some hours later, when he wished to take them out again, they had melted.

Conjecture is rife on the nature and provenance of these filaments. At first it was thought that the phenomenon was attributable to the maneuvering of jet aircraft from the nearby airfield of Air-sur-Adour. But at that base it was stated that no jet plane had flown over Oloron on that day.

The "flying cigar" was observed by a number of persons of the town and the region, in particular by hunters and the mayor of Geronce.

Oloron, Oct. 30 (AFP)-- The mystery of the "flying cigars" seen on October 17 in the sky of Oloron xxxxx appears to be solved. On Monday and Tuesday (Oct. 27 & 28), in brilliantly clear weather with the sun resplendent in a cloudless sky, the phenomenon of multicolored balls was repeated. Dozens of persons were able to scrutinize them with more attention, and were able to observe that, according to the angle of vision, the spheres appeared or were invisible.

Just as on the 17th, the filaments were very numerous between 1 and 2 p.m., collecting on rooftops and telegraph wires. After that time they rapidly disappeared.

It must therefore, it would seem, be an effect of refraction of sunlight. The fibres, which all observers were able to touch, disappeared almost at once, and resembled the fibres of gossamer, very abundant in the fields in autumn. It seems that these threads must have been spun by spiders(cigar-shaped spiders?-TRB), very numerous at present.

On this subject it may be recalled that in 1900 an important migration of spiders was reported in England. It is said even that at that time they threw a veritable bridge of spiderwebs across the Thames. (Transl. by A. Mebane)

From "Flying Saucers from Outer Space," Maj. D.E. Keyhoe(Henry Holt, 1953), p. 157:

On October 14 hundreds of Frenchmen at Lens and Oléron(sic) reported another cigar-shaped ship with a convoy of discs. Many of the observers were leading citizens, including several college professors at Oléron. The story had one fantastic detail which has all the earmarks of hysteria. According to a few Oleron citizens, one disc discharged hundreds of odd, fiberlike threads as it zigzagged over the city. Afterward, one man insisted he had been caught like a fly in a spider web, and several witnesses confirmed this eerie tale.

Except for this, the Oleron-Lens sightings were identical with the other mother ship reports. In addition, this case had radar confirmation. Operators at the Mont-de-Marsan airdrome, reporting to official investigators, said their scope had shown a large image unlike any known aircraft.

Vosges, France, Oct. 21, 1952 AI-F-48

Mysterious aircraft made an appearance Tuesday(Oct. 21, 1952) in the sky of the Vosges. At about 7 p.m. local time a witness observed, above the village of Gremifontaine (Vosges), a luminous object shaped like a truncated cylinder, which was moving from west to east at a very high speed, leaving a trail of iridescent spangles.

At the same time, the residents of Frash-le-Chateau(Haute-Seône) saw a sort of luminous cigar crossing the sky from west to east at the speed of a meteor.
(Transl. by A. Mebane)

Innsbruck, Austria, Oct. 23?, 1952 AI-F-49

Innsbruck, (Tyrol), October 23 (AFP)-- Three "flying saucers" are said to have been seen in the lower Inn Valley (Tyrol) by a peasant who observed three brilliant bodies moving slowly at a low altitude, remaining in sight about a dozen seconds.

This is the first time in three years that such objects have been reported in the sky of Austria. (Transl. by A. Mebane)

Saucer 'Sightings' in Hawaii

PLACE	DATE	BY WHOM	DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT	HOW OBSERVED	EVALUATION
Hickam AF Base	July 7, 1947	Unknown	Silver, spherical object	Visually from ground	Probably balloon
Honolulu	Oct. 19, 1948	Air Force pilot	Bright silver disc	Visually from ground	Probably balloon
Hickam AF Base	Jan. 4, 1949	Air Force officer	Brilliant white disc	Visually from ground	Possibly balloon
Hickam AF Base	Dec. 24, 1950	Sergeant and civilians	White-orange tail	Visually from ground	Astronomical
Hawaii	Dec. 25, 1950	Air Force pilot	Orange flame	From the air	Astronomical
Honolulu	Jan. 8, 1951	Civilian	Orange colored flame	Visually from ground	Astronomical
Lihue, Kauai	Jan. 18, 1951	Civilians	Silvery disc	Visually from ground	Probably balloon
Lahaina, Maui	July. 18, 1952	Submarine personnel	White-reddish oval disc	Visually from surface (binoculars?)	Unknown
Honolulu	July 29, 1952	Navy officers and others	White object	Visually from ground	Balloon
Hickam AF Base	Aug. 4, 1952	Civilian	Two cream colored plate-like discs	Visually from ground	Possibly aircraft
Hickam AF Base	Aug. 9, 1952	4 civilians	Round, shiny, metallic object	Visually from ground	Probably balloon

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Air Force Tabs All But One Of 'Flying Saucer' Reports

Eleven reports of flying saucers in the Hawaiian area have been investigated by the Air Force since July 7, 1947, and all but one of them has been attributed to known causes.

Altogether, the Air Force said, mysterious disc-like spheres have been reported 24 times in the Pacific and Far East since an unknown person at Hickam Village first described seeing one more than five years ago.

At the request of The Star-Bulletin, the special section of the Air Force evaluating reports of the saucers compiled the record of sightings in the Pacific and Far East.

NIGHT DISCS

Of the 24 reports, 10 of them were of daylight sightings, while 14 observers said they saw the discs at night.

The only Hawaii sighting which the Air Force evaluators could not explain was made last July 16 by crewmen of the submarine Bugara off Lahaina, Maui.

Men who saw the phenomenon through binoculars said in a report that an oval disc that varied in color from white to red as it moved across the sky.

In forwarding its compilation, the Air Force noted that "no photographs (of mysterious flying objects) are available from your area."

Other Pacific sightings were reported from Wake, Midway, Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines, eight airplanes and one merchant ship.

Accompanying is the Air Force's record of the 11 reports made in Hawaii.

ABOVE IT, the newspaper [illegible] printed an account of a farmer whom they described as a sober fellow not likely to imagine such things, with photograph of the guy. This happened two years ago plus in the north of Italy. Nello Fer[illegible]xari, 41 years old, was going to Mass early in the morning. At a certain moment "he bent over to pick up a wire in the road" (Ah Maupassant!) and as he was in this position he suddenly saw the grass around him turn red. "It was as if the sun itself were about to fall on me.")

Terrified, he finally gathered courage to look up. About 10 meters above him was "an enormous plate of gold and copper color. I could no longer breathe, my head swam and I felt my face become hot. The plate was immobile. Imagine two soup plates put together, about 20 meters in diameter, with a cylinder between the two plates. I saw the lower cylinder very well. It seemed as though there might be propellers inside. Suddenly I saw the two plates separate one from the other. I noticed then that the diameter of the lower one was slightly smaller than the upper and inside I could only see a rose light, then I saw clearly three human forms approach the edge as if on the deck of a ship."

"They seemed to be dressed in diving suits with a cylinder of crystal on their heads from the top of which was a tube seemingly of rubber. I was still paralyzed into absolute immobility. Then they began to talk. I distinguished these words only "Verres . . . ir[illegible] . . . uch . . ." (and that's all Italian, either.) Then they retreated and the two plates closed with a metallic click and ascended quickly with a strange whistle."

[illegible] FEBRUARY [illegible]

[illegible] Richet himself in his [illegible] for six days and then [illegible] the police as well as a representative of the Ministry of [illegible] and two technicians sent by the government. To the journalists who were in doubt about his declaration he said, "I saw it and I [illegible] serious person. I saw the disc. I write that I am willing to repeat my story to anyone, even to the President of the United States if he's interested."

We are both so [illegible] fascinated and intrigued with the whole business (we can't help it) anything else—whether the Italian stories are true or not, it is [illegible] that thousands of people have been seeing them in the sky everywhere there are people. Well they will remain [illegible] people to establish contact? [illegible] throwing [illegible]

"A CIGAR WITH FOUR WINDOWS AT MARSEILLES." On October 27, 1952, a customs [inspector?] on duty at the landing field of Marseille-Marignane saw the abrupt landing, 100 meters away from him [330 feet] on the ~~xxxxx~~ perforated metal runway of an unknown craft in the shape of a cigar, about 6 meters long [20 ft.] and 2 meters high [6-7 ft.]. The dark wall was pierced by four windows (portholes). The customs man rushed toward it, but when he was 50 meters away from it [about 150 feet], a sheaf of fire began to flash from the back end. The shape rose immediately and disappeared. A sketch of what the customs inspector saw is shown here. [See Michel, 181-90, "Le Cigare de Marignane."]

Disks Seen Over Island

Detroit News 11-5-52

Honeymoon Spot Outdoes U. S. Version

MADRID, Nov. 8—(NANA-Kemsnews)—Proof that flying saucers aren't necessarily an American copyright comes from the honeymoon isle of Majorca, off Spain's Mediterranean coast.

Lazing in the Mediterranean sunshine, honeymooners (and other people) claim to have seen "strange objects" in the sky during the past weeks.

Many people living in Manacor, 31 miles inland from Palma, report they recently saw a "flat disk traveling from east to west at a tremendous speed and leaving behind it a trail of sparks."

One observer had a camera with him and took a photograph of the flying saucer...

Dera Bugti (Baluchistan), Pakistan, week of Nov. 9-15, 1952 AI-F-52

QUETTA, Pakistan, Nov. 17 (Reuters)— Tribesmen saw flying saucers trailing bluish flames roar across the evening slies of Baluchistan on two successive days last week, according to reports reaching here today.

The reports said the saucers were first seen darting across the sky at Dera Bugti, in the Sibi District, and brilliantly lighting an area of between 30 and 40 miles radius with a dazzling beam.

Baluchi tribesmen, who rushed out to see them, watched them disappear at a great speed.

The next night the saucers reappeared, accompanied by the same tremendous noise, the reports said.

Several months ago two pilots of the Pakistan Air Force reported seeing objects like flying saucers high above Karachi.

Baluchistan, the largest Province of Pakistan, has a boundary with Iran and Afghanistan and a coastline on the Arabian Sea.

Sussex, England, Nov. 21, 1952 AI-F-53

London, Nov. 21 (AFP)— A little before sunrise this morning a fireball followed by a brilliantly luminous trail crossed the sky of Sussex County, in the south of England, at a breathtaking speed.

Trustworthy observers say that the silent bolide illuminated the terrain over which it passed so brightly that it seemed to be full daylight. It was traveling from west to east. (Transl. by A. Mebane)

Ceara & Piaui(states), Brazil, Nov. 30, 1952 AI-F-54

Sao Paulo, December 2 (Radio Sao Paulo)-- Reports from several cities in the states of Ceara and Piaui disclose that three flying discs were sighted at noon on Nov. 30. The objects sighted were described as luminous discs which moved at high speed, leaving a curtain of smoke in their wake.

[redacted] WASHINGTON [redacted]

The Washington Merry-Go-Round

Sky Objects Mystify Canal Zone

By Drew Pearson

DIDN'T get into the news, but the Panama Canal Zone was completely mystified by two "flying saucers" which flew over the area for six hours and 26 minutes on November 25.

The Air Force actually sent up two B-26s, one B-17, and one Navy patrol bomber to try to intercept the objects, but failed.

An official cable to Washington from the Panama Canal Zone states "two unidentified objects" were sighted over the Canal Zone November 25 from 6:06 p. m. to 11:43 p. m.

The sighting was made by radar attached to antiaircraft guns. The two objects, whatever they were, remained over the Canal Zone for 5½ hours, travelling at an estimated speed of 375 miles per hour and [redacted] from [redacted] feet in altitude.

As no United States aircraft were supposed to be flying in the vicinity at that time, the air defense commander was sufficiently stirred up over the mysterious sighting to send the three Air Force bombers and the Navy patrol bomber in pursuit of the strangers. [redacted] they were [redacted] minutes [redacted] definitely no secret.

. The second case, a vitally important encounter, described a sighting by a veteran Air Force officer, Colonel D. J. Blakeslee, Commander of a Fighter Escort Wing in Japan. (In *Flying Saucers from Outer Space*, through an Air Force error, he was called Colonel Curtis Low.)

On December 29, 1952, a peculiar type of "saucer" with rotating lights had been sighted by Colonel Blakeslee, by an F-94 fighter pilot, and by the crew of a B-26 bomber.

When Colonel Blakeslee, flying an F-84 jet, tried to close in, the mysterious machine raced off, vanishing in five seconds. After he landed, the wing commander told Intelligence officers the saucer had three fixed shafts of white light, One section of the UFO, he said, was revolving steadily, alternating from red to green to white at regular intervals.

In an unusual comment the Intelligence officer who interrogated Colonel Blakeslee stated how profoundly he had been impressed by the wing commander's account.

Asia Briefs Newsweek Dec- 1952

Now it's Pakistan that is seeing flying saucers. Saucers were reported seen in the air over Baluchistan recently, making "a thundering noise, leaving blue sparks behind" ... The visit of the

Karachi, Pakistan, December 11, 1952 AI-F-55

KARACHI, December 11 (Reuters)--Four "flying saucers" were reported sailing in formation high over Karachi today. Witnesses said they saw four translucent white discs trailing smoke. They said they suddenly shot up vertically and disappeared.

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Mysterious Objects Seen Over Japan

1/21/53

A U.S. AIR BASE, Northern Japan (AP) — Mysterious flying objects — "rotating clusters of red, white and green lights" — have been sighted over Northern Japan by American airmen, the Air Force disclosed tonight.

Intelligence reports pinpointed the sightings close to Russian territory in the Kurile Islands and Sakhalin. They added:

"There are too many indications of the presence of something to be considered as observation of nothing." And they discounted the possibility the sighted objects were mere "reflections of light."

Reports Released

Col. Curtis R. Low, commander of the Northern Division of the Japan Air Defense Force, said the flying clusters were seen by fighter pilots and ground personnel and were tracked by radar. He released official intelligence reports on the sighting to the Associated Press.

The reports were similar to those describing "flying saucers" in the U.S. One said the lights appeared to have motionless at times, and at other times disappeared with blinding speed.

(The New Mexican disclosed exclusively Jan. 8 that American scientists have made "fantastic" strides in guided missile and rocket development, and suggested that at least some "flying saucer" sightings will be explained by disclosures to be made by the Defense Department. The New Mexican story was reported widely in this and other countries, including Japan.)

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JET PILOTS CHASE MYSTERY LIGHTS RACING OVER JAPAN
Odd Colored Objects Once Sped toward Siberia, Report Says
by Associated Press

A U.S. Air Base, N. Japan, Thurs. Jan. 23—Strange clusters of red, white, and green lights flying at blinding speeds have been chased by U.S. jet pilots over northern Japan, the Air Force said yesterday.

The hurtling, rotating clusters were seen the nights of December 29 and January 9 over N. Honshu, the main island of Japan. The Japanese government recently complained over flights over Hokkaido Island just north of Honshu by Russian fighter planes from Kurile and Sakhalin Island bases.

"Frequency of related sightings attest to some unconventional flying object active in this general area," said an Air Force intelligence report on the Dec. 29 spotting, indicating the mysterious lights had been seen many times before.

"There are too many indications of the presence of something for the source's (remarks?) to be considered an observation of nothing." The report was signed by Lt. Col. Russell Powell, intelligence officer.

Washington Verifies Report

(At Washington, the Air Force said it had received a preliminary report on the sightings, but had no further comment. A spokesman said more detailed analyses would be required before any findings could be reached.)

Colonel Donald J. M. Blakeslee in his F-84 Thunderjet chased the lights the night of Saturday December 29, at 35,000 feet. They headed west and out of sight. In that direction lies Russian Siberia.

The night of January 9 the mysterious lights were picked up on the radar screen of an F-94 night jet-interceptor.

"Radar contact for approximately 2 minutes was verified" by the pilot, Lt. Melvin E. Conine and Radar Observer Lt. Walter D. Lawley, Jr., the report said.

Curtis immediately had started in pursuit, but quickly lost contact.

The flying lights were seen by the other airmen aloft and by various ground personnel, said Col. Curtis E. Lem Low, commander of the northern division of the Japan Air Defense Force.

"Remarkable Corroboration"

There was "remarkable corroboration as to direction of the cluster of lights," said Col. George W. Purdy, commander of this air base.

Blakeslee, of Fairport Harbor, O., World War II ace and commander of a [illegible] fighter wing here, was given permission to try to intercept the lights, after he had spotted them while he was flying at 27,000 feet.

He observed the lights for approximately 7 minutes, and as he set his course of pursuit "he noted that the objects obviously were increasing in size," the report said.

Blakeslee extinguished all the lights of his aircraft "to make certain he was not getting some reflection from his canopy surface."

After losing the lights, Blakeslee turned e.a. and "after 5 minutes he noted the object again at 35,000 feet, level with him and flying what appeared a parallel course" to the right of him. After more than 4 minutes observation the lights headed west and disappeared, the report said.

The clusters also were seen by two crew members of a F-94 interceptor for about 40 minutes, by 2 crew members of a B-26 bomber for approximately 7 minutes, and by 6 different men on the ground at another air base further north than Blakeslee's.

The ground observers watched the lights "for varying times ranging from 30 minutes to three hours" about an hour and a half after Blakeslee saw the clusters further south.

Authorities at this air base were especially impressed by the radar pick-up by Conine's plane Jan. 9. They said the radar actually locked on the object, heading the plane toward it as though it were drawn by a magnet.

Lawley said his radar pickup of the object was "very weak and fuzzy" instead of sharp as is the case when the screen picks up another aircraft.

The incidents recall numerous reports of "flying saucers" and strange lights in the sky in other parts of the world.

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USAF Asserts Jap 'Things' Not Missiles

WASHINGTON (AP)—The aircraft industries Association, calling attention to "the fast-growing importance of guided missiles as an arm of this nation's defense," announced today it is setting up a special committee to deal with the flying robots.

Meanwhile, the Air Force upheld a rumor that the colored aerial objects seen over north Japan recently were Russian guided missiles.

"Pure conjecture," said an Air Force spokesman. "We have nothing to indicate any such explanation."

The Air Force has earmarked an estimated $27 million dollars for its guided missiles program in the fiscal year starting July 1. This is five times the amount of obligations — $27,443,000 — for missiles in the fiscal year which ended last June 30.

Although detailed information on guided missiles is classified for security reasons, one leading missile manufacturer, J. H. Kindelberger, chairman of the board of North American Aviation, Inc., said recently the intercontinental missile is "just over the horizon."

Kindelberger said such a weapon "will be capable of accurately delivering to any point on the surface of the earth, in a few hours, a warhead carrying infinite destruction, and, because of its speed and altitude, will be impossible to intercept."

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U.S. Flyers in Japan Chase Weird Lights

Rotating Red, White, Green Clusters Seen Twice

A UNITED STATES AIR BASE, Northern Japan, Thursday, Jan. 22 (AP)—Strange clusters of red, white and green lights flying at blinding speed have been chased twice by American jet pilots over northern Japan, the Air Force said yesterday.

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AIR FORCE UNCOVERED

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January 28, 1953 Medan, East Sumatra

From: Report On Indonesia, Feb. 13, 1953

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INCIDENT NO. 7—On February 16, 1953, at 11:50 p.m., a pilot and an instructor in a C-47 over Turnagain Arm—a bay near Anchorage, Alaska—saw a red light that they judged to be a jet aircraft, five miles away. But as they watched it, it got bigger and brighter, as if headed toward them. Unable to see any green navigation light, they asked the tower at Elmendorf AFB if any other craft were in the area. The tower said there was none, and then made a radar check with negative results. The object was first seen low and definitely below the horizon. The C-47 was flying at 2,000 feet. The object continued to close on the C-47, increasing in brilliance and size until it was two or three times the original size. Then it seemed to stop and hang, suspended for five minutes. The pilots, still thinking it might be another aircraft, headed toward Elmendorf, where the tower asked them if they still could see the light. It was still visible, and the tower asked them to try to intercept it. As the C-47 took up the chase, the light appeared to accelerate and shortly vanished.

The following night, about 8 p.m., five Air Police on patrol spotted the same—or another—red light near the end of one of the Elmendorf runways. By comparing it with known lights at the base, they judged it to be similar to a 36-inch light seen from ¾ mile away. It was in a gradual climb, at about jet speed, headed for Anchorage. The Air Police called the tower. It had nothing on radar, but ordered up a jet to intercept. As the jet became airborne, the object showed a noticeable increase in speed, and when the jet came around to get on an intercept course, the light climbed vertically into the overcast at 5,500 feet.

The Air Police did not know of the original sighting when they made their report. A careful check showed no balloons in the area. Stars and planets were eliminated because the first night the object was below the horizon, and the second night there was a solid overcast. If it had been a conventional craft, the radar should have picked it up. If it had been a stray balloon that wandered in from some distance, on the first night the C-47 should easily have closed on it and passed it. On the second night, its sudden vertical rise disposed of the drifting balloon theory.

Semarang, Indonesia, February 3, 1953 AI-F-58

JAKARTA, Feb. 4 (Radio Jakarta)— On February 3, almost all Semarang residents witnessed a white object which suddenly appeared in the sky. The object appeared the size of a star against a clear blue sky but neither sparkled nor moved. So far the object is still unidentified. (Could be Venus????)

Belgrade, Yugoslavia, February 15, 1953 AI-F-59

BELGRADE, Feb. 15 (Reuters)— "Flying saucers" whirled over the roofs of Belgrade at varying speeds and heights today.

Belgrade radio said later that the saucers had been made by the Yugoslav Air Force Construction Institute as an experiment. They measured about 40 inches across and weighed about 4½ pounds. They were controlled by radio, the broadcast said.

It was not explained how the saucers were powered.

Sado Island, Japan, February 23, 1953 AI-F-61

TOKYO, Feb. 25 (KYODO)— Six persons on Sado Island on Feb. 23 observed what appeared to be a flying saucer. According to the report, members of the Hajikizaki Lighthouse on Sado Island spotted this strange phenomenon around 8:55 p.m. that day.

The flying saucer was elliptical in shape, flat, and slightly larger at one end. Its luminosity approximated that of a 60-watt bulb seen at the distance of about 500 meters. It at first appeared red in the center and emitted a blue glow. It later turned completely red, losing its brilliance. At 9:05 the disc vanished, reappearing for about 2 minutes and then dimming out. No noise was heard; as high clouds existed at the time, it could not have been caused by a meteor, the report said.

TOKYO, Feb. 25 (Reuters)— Japanese Coastguardsmen on Sado Island, off Northern Honshu, today reported seeing a "flying saucer bright as a 600-watt electric bulb, shaped like an egg, and colored red and blue, yesterday."

April 15, 1953 — Ongaonga, New Zealand

White filaments, fine & diffuse, fell from the sky at Ongaonga. They fell for some moments, entangling with the telegraph line, the trees, and in some place upon the ground. There also it was impossible to analyse because of the brevity of their existence.

From: Jimmy Guieu, *Les Soucoupes Volantes Viennent d'un Autre Monde*, p. 84 (Trans. T. Bloecher.)

Brussels, Belgium, Feb. 20, 1953 — AI-F-60

Brussels, Feb. 21 (AFP)— The "slow meteor with a tail" which crossed the sky of Brussels yesterday evening was actually an advertising airplane.

The Institute Royal Meteorologique confesses his error today. This confusion brings great glee to numerous Brussellese, all of who say that they themselves made no such mistake. (Transl. by A. Mebane)

Seria, Brunei, Borneo, Feb. 25, 1953 — AI-F-62

SERIA, BRUNEI, BORNEO, Feb. 25, 1953 (Reuters)— Hundreds of curious Borneans today craned their necks to watch a bright star-like object which appeared to be rotating in the sky over this oil town, emitting twin jets of vapor.

"Flying saucers" said the spectators, for want of a better explanation. They estimated its height at 30,000 feet and said it was visible for 40 minutes.

Similar phenomena have been reported over Borneo several times recently.

Or another example: In February of 1953 we were still locked in combat with our enemies in Korea. Our best planes and our best fliers were in the Orient, many of them based in Japan. On the 23rd of that month a flight of three Cabre Jets took off from our field at Misawa, Japan, for a routine training flight to break in the new planes which had just arrived. The three jets were flying at 24,000 feet in a V formation, with the commander of the base, Colonel C. S. Armstrong, flying at the right tip of the formation.

As the three planes slid down through some thin ice overcast to the twenty thousand foot level, Colonel Armstrong discovered that they had company--a shiny disc-shaped thing about fifteen feet in diameter and about five feet thick in the center. Whatever it was, the thing could easily outmaneuver the jets. Colonel Armstrong radioed to the other two planes to hold their formation, then he dropped back to where he could observe the antics of their strange visitor to better advantage. He later told military authorities that the disc flew alongside one of the jets for about five minutes, within fifty feet of its wingtip. When the pilot made a slight turn toward the disc, the thing flipped on edge and shot upward out of sight. A moment later it was back, hovering in the slip-stream behind the head of the third pilot in the formation. Colonel Armstrong moved in for a closer look--the thing streaked out ahead of the five hundred mile an hour jet and quickly vanished in the distance.

Cigare Volant en Dordogne

Hier matin, Mme Aymard Madeleine allait ouvrir son poulailler lorsque, en grimpant le terrier qui y conduit, elle vit dans le ciel bleu un objet brillant ayant la forme d'une grande cigare, chose surprenante, une grosseur faisant suite à l'appareil mais, ne paraissant pas avoir aucune relié. Sur le moment, Mme Aymard crut à une forme bizar-

vit l'appareil se déplacer à une grande vitesse sans émettre aucun son, elle appela un voisin, M. Delacour qui ramassait du genièvre sur le terrier. M. Delacour vit distinctement le cigare qui se dirigeait vers le bourg. D'autres personnes, alertées par les cris de Mme Aymard, sortirent un moment le ciel qui leur montrait celle-ci de loin, mais n'entendant aucun bruit, ne comprirent pas les gestes de Mme Aymard.

Seoul (Korean Front), April 19, 1953 AI-F-65

SEOUL, April 19 (AP)— Four American Army Airmen reported seeing a white, rounded, delta-shaped object flying at 60 - 80 miles per hour today over Communist Territory on the Korean Western front. An official G-2 Intelligence Report said the object was reported seen in the old Baldy-Pork Chop Hill area.

A spokesman for an American Division released excerpts from the official report on the object seen today. The report said:

"At approximately 1:00 p.m. today aerial observers in two seperate planes flying routine reconnaissance missions observed a white, rounded, delta-shaped object."

It was estimated to be five to seven feet in diameter. The observers had no idea of its depth or thickness. It was traveling between 60-80 miles and hour in a vibrating motion. The course of flight was north northeast to south southwest. over enemy territory.

Intelligence officers gave no evaluation of the report.

The spokesman said the four Airmen who reported seeing the object were the pilots and aerial observers of two Army light planes.

One of the pilots asked that his name be withheld from publication.

The other witnesses were Lt. Julius Morgan of Lythonia, Georgia, a pilot; 2nd Lt. James O. Rymus of 4023 East Linwood, Kansas City, an observer; and Lt. Jack E. Meyers of Seattle, Washington, an observer.

The altitude of the object was not reported.

Army Airmen Report Seeing Flying Discs

60 To 80 Miles Hourly Speed Of Objects Over Korea.

4 Yank Fliers Sight Small 'Flying Disc' At Korea Frontline

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SEOUL, Monday, April 18 (AP)—Four U. S. Army airmen yesterday reported seeing a small "white, rounded, delta-shaped object" flying at 60 to 80 miles an hour over Communist territory on the Korean western front.

An official intelligence report said the sighting was made north of Pork Chop and Old Baldy Hills where heavy fighting has raged the past few days.

An officer with a frontline division who asked not to be identified by name said other luminous objects traveling at super-sonic speeds of 800 miles

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per hour, had been observed in the Baldy-Pork Chop area and tracked on radar—also within the last few days.

However, the official G-2 report made no mention of these other incidents.

The release said:

"At approximately 1 p. m. today (Sunday) aerial observers in two separate planes flying routine reconnaissance missions, observed a white, rounded delta-shaped object.

"It was estimated to be five to seven feet in diameter. The observers had no idea of its depth or thickness.

"It was traveling between 60 and 80 miles per hour in a vibrating motion. The course of flight was north northeast to south southwest over enemy territory."

Intelligence officers did not attempt to evaluate the report.

The foug airmen who reported seeing the strange object were the pilots and observers of two light Army planes.

One pilot asked his name be withheld from publication. The other witnesses were Lt. Julius Morgan of Lythonia, Ga., pilot; Lt. James O. Rymus of Kansas City, Mo. and Lt Jack E. Myers, Seattle, Wash., both observers.

Flying objects have been reported over Japan in recent months, according to official reports of the Japan air defense command. They too were tracked on radar and described as having a vibrating motion.

Sun 4-20-53

Flying Discs Seen Over Korea

SEOUL, Monday, April 19 (AP)—Four U. S. Army Airmen Sunday reported seeing a small "white, rounded, delta-shaped object" flying at 60 to 80 miles an hour over Communist territory on the Korean Western Front.

An official intelligence report said the sighting was made north of Pork Chop and Old Baldy Hills where heavy fighting has raged the past few days.

An officer with a frontline division who asked not to be identified by name told the Associated Press that other luminous objects traveling at super-sonic speeds of 800 miles per hour, had been observed in the Baldy-Pork Chop area and tracked on radar—also within the last few days.

However, the official G-2 report made no mention of these other incidents.

The release said:

"At approximately 1 p.m. today

separate planes flying routine reconnaissance missions, observed a white, rounded, delta-shaped object.

"It was estimated to be five to seven feet in diameter. The observers had no idea of its depth or thickness.

"It was traveling between 60 and 80 miles per hour in a vibrating motion. The course of flight was north northeast to south southwest over

Charleroi, Belgium, week of May 10-16, 1953 AI-F-64

BRUSSELS, May 18 (Reuters)— The Brussels newspaper Le Peuple today printed two pictures, taken by one of its photographers, of a "flying saucer" which it had been seen by several persons near Charleroi, northern Belgium.

The "saucer", seen at night, was a moon-like disc with a white ring around it and a white "tail."

The photographer, Hermann Chermanne, said he saw the object in the sky near Charleroi last week. It as moving fast and making a clattering noise.

It stopped for about ten seconds, and then shot off again, he said. The wind slowly dispersed the white trail it had left.

Several other persons in the district also reported seeing the object.

Mackay, Australia, probably May 16, 1953 or earlier AI-F-66

BRISBANE, Australia, May 17 (Reuters)--An Australian Airline pilot has reported sighting a "flying fishbowl" south of Mackay, the North Queensland Port.

He said it appeared to have a lighted dome as it maneuvered around his DC-3 plane. It crossed his path and "disappeared westward traveling at a terrific speed," he said.

A control tower official and radio officer reported seeing a similar object.

(The pilot's name was Capt. B.L. Jones).

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Rockhampton Airport, Australia, May 18, 1953 AI-F-67

BRISBANE, May 18 (Reuters)— Weather observers at Rockhampton Airport, 400 miles north of here, reported today they had under observation a mysterious crescent-shaped object sighted in the sky early today.

The silvery object was hardly discernable to the naked eye. Its appearance was reported a few days after Capt. B. L. Jones, a Civil Airline Pilot, said a "glowing object" maneuvered around his plane 175 miles northwest of Rockhampton.

Since then, there have been numerous reports of similar phenomena.

A Civil Aviation Security Officer at Essendon Airport, Melbourne, said he saw a bright object the size of a full moon pass overhead at a "terrific speed" at 3 a.m. today. Within the next hour two other persons in Melbourne suburbs made similar reports independantly.

T. L. Whitney, the Secretary of the Australian Flying Saucer Investigation Comm. said the reports correspond exactly with overseas descriptions of "flying saucers."

His committee had investigated 18 reports of "saucers" since it was formed last February, and six of them were luminous discs—"the shooting moon sort of idea."

Jones, in a report to the Regional Director of Civil Aviation in Brisbane, said he and his co-pilot watched the unidentified glowing object for about five minutes last week.

He said it levelled off at about 4,000 feet when he was flying at 2,000 feet, and then flew off. It re-appeared and circled the airliner about 1,000 feet above and then flew off again.

He estimated its speed varied from 200 to 700 miles an hour.

Jones said the object dived and climbed, but did not change its course erratically—"and there weren't any pink men waving at me either."

He declared: "There is no possibility that it could have been a meteorite. I have been flying for 12 years and have seen thousands of meteorites."

MELBOURNE, May 18 (Reuters)— The Australian Civil Aviation Department today banned the release of reports by people who claim they have seen mysterious objects in the sky.

A spokesman said this will encourage people to report such "sightings" without fear of being ridiculed.

Strange bright objects were reported in the skies early this morning.

One was first spotted with a theodolite, a surveying instrument, when tracing a weather balloon. To the naked eye, the object, which changed course several times, appeared to be the size of a pinhead.

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Chassins -
see Michel #2 intro.

July 8, 1953

Flying Sa[illegible]eturn

French Brass Orders Hush-Hush Probe As NATO General Spots Zooming 'Turret'

By PAUL GHALI

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An experienced pilot, Gen. X testifies that [illegible] in an army plane he saw a turret-[illegible]ry at "tremendous speed."

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"It moved at tremendous speed but I was able to [illegible] enough seconds to keep it in view.

"Amazed," he continues, "I followed the course of [illegible] until it disappeared."

[illegible] the "flying [illegible] across the heavens [illegible]

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International News Service

Move Over, Flying Saucer!

By PAUL GHALI

PARIS—French military brass have ordered a hush-hush probe into a new aerial mystery, a kind of "flying turret" excitedly reported by a topflight air general.

This officer, whose name cannot be revealed, is an armed forces staff member and represents France in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

An experienced pilot, Gen. X testifies that while on a routine flight in an army plane he saw a turret-like object streak by at tremendous speed.

It occurred as he was over a military airfield near Paris.

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TO MAKE SURE it wasn't some-[illegible]thing dropped by another plane, Gen. X scanned the skies. He saw no other craft.

Gen. X insists he observed the turretlike maid distinctly in motion.

Source: Intelligence Digest, November 1953

A Curious Report: Flying Saucers?

This report comes from our best observer in Berlin. He holds an important position there and is not a man readily susceptible to sensational rumour, as he has been trained to evaluate reports.

Only One Witness--Our observer says that he himself did not witness the events reported. The news was brought to him from the Soviet zone by a man who he has known both personally and officially for many years. There is only one eye-witness to the happenings here reported, and he has not yet been able to escape from Soviet-controlled territory, where he is lying low. He is very badly wanted by the M.V.D.

Flights of Extraordinary Objects-- The story begins on July 19. Between then and July 26, the inhabitants of some of the towns and villages on the German-Polish border along the Baltic coast - especially in the neighborhood of Stettiner Haff and the mouth of the Oder - observed flights of extraordinary objects, which appeared to be (round). They generally flew in groups of ... or more, with many abrupt twists and turns, and at what seemed to be very high speeds.

Most of the appearances were towards evening and in the early morning. At night, too, people observed strangely glowing objects streaking across the sky at high speeds. The frequency of these appearances was so great as to be called almost regular.

Reports of this kind were made from such places as Kolobraeg (?) (Kolberg), Ko....., Ko....., Stargard, Gotenlow, Od(ia?), Port Szcz.... (Stettin), and places in Eastern Germany such as Pasewalk, Heringsdorf, and (?)Usedom. A large number of people in these and other places reported seeing these peculiar objects.

Interested Intelligence, Then Silence--Reports were made to both the East German and Polish police, as well as to both Intelligence services. On July 19 and 20, both these services showed great interest in the reports, and sent observers. On the afternoon of July 20, there was a sudden and complete change of attitude on the part of the local services. Both police and Intelligence began flatly to deny the evidence. They declared that nothing of the kind had happened, and threatened people who made reports that they would be dealt with as imperialist rumour-mongers if they did not stop talking.

This was enough to put a stop to all open talk, but it did not prevent people from continuing to see the strange objects flying about.

A Very Strange Happening--From the evening of July 26 to the morning of July 29, no more of these objects were sighted; but during the early hours of July 29 to August 1 the flights were resumed.

The strangest happening of all took place on Friday, July 31, at 7 p.m., between the towns of Kiedzyzaraje and Wohn. The two towns are connected by 24 km. of railroad. Leaving Wohn, the line goes due north for 13 km.,

then turns sharply west towards Niedzyzaraje. Two and a half km. east of that turn, a strange object landed - at the time stated above - on a country road running roughly parallel to the railroad.

Seven Observers-- The landing took place with very little noise, so that little attention was attracted. No one was actually on the spot when the object landed. A short distance away, however, five Poles and two Germans were working. Their curiosity was aroused by the fact that the object descended practically vertically, and at what seemed to be a high speed. Then it just settled down on the ground.

After about 20 minutes, these seven people were joined by a Polish policeman, who - after seeing what had happened - went away to make a report.

A Close-Up View--The seven witnesses approached the object. They estimated its diameter as between 15 and 20 metres. It had a spherical center - apparently of metal - which was entirely closed. On the outside was a large flat circle on which wide exhaust-pipes could be seen, reminiscent of jet ~~ext~~ engines. No engine, however, was visible. This outer circle was also of metal.

There appeared to be no human being aboard. There was neither sound nor movement.

None of these people dared approach the central sphere, but all were impressed by Russian inscriptions - on both central sphere and outer circle. None had any doubt that the object was Russian.*

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*This description is somewhat crude. It must be remembered that none of the witnesses was a technician. (Ed. - ?)

The Man Who Disappeared-- While the policeman was away, one man - a German - thought it prudent to disappear. He left the place at once; the others remained. Soon after 8 p.m. the policeman returned, and shortly afterwards a Soviet helicopter landed with several M.V.D. officers. Immediate action was taken to close off the area. None of the six remaining witnesses, nor the policeman, has been seen or heard of since.

A police net was thrown out to catch the man who had left. Police and troops were turned out to comb the ..... The Russian authorities ~~(learned? ?found? ?discovered?)~~ knew the man's name; but - up to the time our observer reported - he had not been caught.

After this the area was cordoned off for a week. After that, there was no further sign or trace of the mysterious object.

From August 1 to August 10 no more flights were observed. Then a few more were noticed up to August 15. We have heard of no more since then.

Boras, Sweden, July 18, 1953 AI-F-69

STOCKHOLM, July 19, — A Luminous object was observed yesterday in the skies over Boras, about 30 miles east of Goteborg.

According to eyewitnesses, the object looked very much like a disc with one of its edges blacked out by a strong shadow. A brilliant white cone of light followed close behind it; it was extinguished for briefly for a few seconds, and then flared up again in a fiery yellow color. After another few seconds, the light cone was extinguished altogether.

The object moved from east to west and passed over the center of Boras where it could be observed for at least 30 seconds.

Southwest Austria, July 30?, 1953 AI-F-

Vienna, July 31 (Reuters)— An unidentified object which hundreds of persons in southwest Austria thought was a flying saucer was probably a large meteor, Graz University astronomers said today. Observers said it looked like a huge ball of fire with a greenish tail trail of sparks rushing north at great speed.

Port Moresby, New Guinea, August 30, 1953 AI-F-69A

SYDNEY, Australia, Jan. 23, 1954 (Reuters)— A motion picture film purporting to show a "flying saucer-like" object climbing steeply at great height is on its way to the United States for special processing that may reveal further details.

Australian Air Minister William Mc Mahon said the film was taken with a telephoto lens by a Civil Aviation Official at Port Moresby, New Guinea, last August.

In his hitherto secret report, the official said he saw a vast cloud forming rapidly. An object described as "some type of high-speed aircraft" suddenly darted out and climbed sharply away, leaving a clear vapor trail.

Initial processing of the film revealed a small light-colored object moving across the sky, Mc Mahon said. Australia is anxious to get the film back just as soon as possible, he added.

As I left the anteroom with Colonel John Hutchins, the admiral's press aide, an officer with a mass of campaign ribbons came down the hall. I recognized him as a captain I had known for years.

Colonel Hutchins was leading me to his office, just across from Radford's.

"Before Admiral Radford signs this," he said, "every word must be checked by all the armed forces and the National Security Council. And since the President also is going to make a statement on the subject, it may have to be checked with the White House."

The Navy captain had stopped. He came over to me as Hutchins went into his office.

"Can you call me when you're through here?" he said abruptly.

"I'll be out in a minute," I told him, puzzled at his tone. When I came back, he got me to one side.

"I should have known you'd be in on it," he said in an undertone.

I looked at him blankly.

"I never believed it," he went on. "You know that. But after what happened at Pearl Harbor last month . . ." He shook his head solemnly. "You certainly turned out to be a prophet."

"We weren't talking about the UFO's," I said.

A stunned look came into his face.

"But that colonel said—"

"He meant a defense article I'm doing for Radford's byline."

"Good God, I thought they'd decided to reveal—" he broke off. "Forget what I said. It was all just a crazy rumor."

"Wait. This thing at Pearl! What happened?"

He shook his head wordlessly and hurried on down the corridor. For a minute I stood there, weighing what he had said. The Pearl Harbor mystery, whatever it was, must have been dramatic. And if a space base were really circling the earth, it was tremendously important.

"You were right. Something queer happened on the night of August 6," Here's the story they gave out. Some Navy jet pilot suddenly went nuts while on patrol. He buzzed Waikiki Beach. Then he cut in his mike and started yelling at the Naval Air Station tower. When he landed, they grounded him and hushed it up."

"Who told you that?" I asked.

"A DC-6 captain on the Honolulu run. That's what he was told when he started nosing around. We both agreed it sounded fishy."

"If a jet had buzzed Waikiki Beach," I said, "it could never have been kept secret. The police and city officials would have screamed—and we'd have seen the story in headlines here in the States."

Stone called the waiter and ordered more coffee.

"What do you think they're hiding?" he said.

I told him the original story about the Navy pilot who claimed to have seen some kind of creature.

Stone swore under his breath. "This thing gets worse and worse," he said. "It's like a nightmare."

I had almost finished the reports when I was startled by an air-mail letter from Honolulu. It was signed by a well-known businessman, a licensed pilot with Navy connections, and contained the following statements: 1953

"On August 6, between 5 P.M. and midnight, at least 75 lighted objects, some hovering, some moving swiftly, were observed in the Hawaiian area, especially near Barbers Point [Naval Air Station, Pearl Harbor]. Many of these UFO's were seen by the control tower, others by pilots. The objects appeared as blips on the radar scopes. At about 9 P.M. a Navy pilot on patrol picked up the blip of a UFO approaching head on at an alarming rate of speed. Seconds later, a glowing object made three close passes at his plane. The pilot landed immediately at Barbers Point.

"After this report, the Captain and Executive Officers were summoned, emergency patrols were ordered after midnight. At 11 minutes past two, the pilot of a TV-1 jet sighted a strange, glowing object streaking up from directly behind. When approximately 100 feet astern, the UFO shot to starboard and paced the TV-1 for four seconds. It then accelerated swiftly to an estimated speed of 1000 mph—and disappeared.

"According to ground crew and officer, the pilot was very pale and frightened when he landed. He kept saying, 'I actually saw *him* . . .'"

I read the letter again carefully.

Barbers Point and August 6—this tied in with the information given me by Caperton and the Navy captain. There might be one simple explanation; all could have heard the same unfounded rumor. But Caperton and the captain were not easily misled. And this letter had the ring of an official report.

But what, exactly, had the Navy pilot seen? What kind of being—or creature? It sounded like one of the "monster" stories beginning to circulate, yet there *could* be another explanation.

I had always been wary of the space-man-monster tales. Two had popped up in 1952 with frightening details. In one case, after a saucer was supposed to have landed on a West Virginia hilltop, witnesses claimed to have seen a gruesome creature nine feet tall. The witnesses appeared to be sincere; they seemed to believe they had actually seen the monster.

Several investigators who checked at the scene also believed it was possible. But I had always kept it on my "doubtful" list.

In the second case, another night encounter, a West Palm Beach scoutmaster claimed to have seen a saucer hovering just over his head. A fearful creature, he said, had appeared in the control section, releasing a paralyzing ray.

Captain Edward Ruppelt, after investigating this personally, had advised me through Albert Chop to ignore the story.

"Ed will give the reasons sometime," Chop told me. "I'm positive there's nothing to it."

But this Pearl Harbor story did not appear to be a hoax.

Next day I met Frank Edwards and told him the Pearl Harbor story. He didn't laugh it off, as I'd half expected him to do.

Sept. 7, 1953

That same day, at Tangmere Airport, Sussex, England, a large saucer hovered briefly over the field. Seen by scores of Royal Air Force pilots and ground men, the machine suddenly accelerated, vanishing over the English Channel.

Garus, Iran, October 10, 1953 AI-F-71

TEHERAN, Oct. 13, (Reuters)-- A huge, shining rocket-like object was sighted over three towns in NW Iran last weekend, reports reaching here said today.

The object was reported to have been seen traveling at high speed toward the NE. The reports said it blew up just west of Hamadan, about halfway between Tehran and the Iraqi border.

Iran borders on Russia, but the reports gave no indication that the object came from there.

An Iranian official said that Army units may be sent into the region in an effort to find fragments of the reported missile in an attempt to trace its origin.

One of the reports said the object had a brilliant head like an huge electric light bulb and a curving tail of flame and smoke.

TEHERAN, Oct. 13 (AFP)-- A luminous object which passed through the sky Saturday afternoon (Oct. 10) in the direction nord sud and was seen by the inhabitants of Garouss, a small village in Kurdistan. This meteor exploded kmuky au dessus of Khosravabad, 100 KMS to the north of Hamadan. The explosion was so violent that it could be heard for more than thirty miles.

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(Apologies for this poor excuse of a translation)

SAUCER NEWS

Mme. Esculier, 3 Ave. Philippe-Lebon, Toulon, writes to us:

"I saw a cigar last year about this time, at Marseille. It was just after nightfall. I was on the terrace of a café on the old port, when I noticed, high in the sky, a long green-illuminated shape, seeming to have three portholes. It was moving toward Arles at incredible velocity. At Arles, my children saw it almost at the same moment. The sky was almost completely clear. Some friends from Dakar, who were with me, saw the same phenomenon."

Thank you for your kind letter. We hope to receive numerous others which will enable us to assemble a local file on this business. R.M.

La République Varoise (Toulon)
Oct. 27, 1954

From England, too, the reports came in. Several dramatic sightings had upset the Air Ministry.

On October 18 two British airline pilots, Captain Peter Fletcher and First Officer R. L. Lemon, saw a strange craft flying over the English Channel. It had the appearance of two saucers with their rims together.

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In his official report to the Air Ministry, Captain Fletcher said, "We have no doubt whatsoever the object was solid . . . that it was constructed of metal. . . ."

Eastern Evening News
Norwich, England
22 DEC 1955

Over the TEA TABLE

By Whiffler

SPACE CAPSULE AS SEEN IN 1953

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WHEN LOOKING at the picture of one American space capsule photographed from the other one I was forcibly reminded of the drawing of a flying saucer claimed to have been seen over Norwich some years ago by Mr. F. W. Potter, of Norwich Astronomical Society. The similarity is remarkable.

It is all the more remarkable, I find on looking up the records in our office library, that the claim was made in October, 1953. At the time a large number of people thought that people who saw flying saucers were highly imaginative.

I remember doing the original flying saucer story and asking Mr. Potter to draw what he had seen.

Telescope

MR. POTTER was watching through a 3½ inch refractor telescope when a very bright object appeared in the south-west as a yellow light of great size. He focussed on the object and found that the light was not from reflected sunlight as he first believed, but was an internal light being sent out from a fixed apparatus situated around a dome.

Beneath the top dome was another one, much larger and flattened. It was hollow, and appeared to be glowing red. On the space capsule this dome is the one housing the retro-rockets, which is jettisoned on re-entry into the earth's atmosphere.

Mr. Potter said that the object was noiseless, and the time of its appearance in the south-west to its disappearance in the north-east was 3½ minutes. It maintained a constant altitude.

It certainly looks as if the pattern of the American or Russian space projects had been set as long ago as 1953.

MONSTROUS SIZE

London, Ont., October 31, 1953.—Oscar Plewes, a Lambeth businessman, was repairing his television aerial when he spotted a strange craft overhead. "It was about 1,000 feet high," Plewes said; "and must have been traveling at least 500 m.p.h."

The front half was V-shaped and brilliantly lighted. The back part was round. "It was a monstrous size," he declared, "bigger than the giant American B-36 bombers." It left no vapor trail as it streaked away, disappearing in a few seconds.

Two London brothers (unnamed) in an undated news story forwarded from Canada, were driving out Mt. Pleasant Avenue at 10:30 a.m. when they spotted a "chunk of substance" suspended in the air about 20 feet ahead of them and 10 feet off the ground. They said it was dull white in [illegible] drove past it and looked back it was gone.

Meanwhile, reports of new saucer sightings have been coming in from all over Canada.

In North Bay, Ont., the *Daily Nugget* has a file of 16 persons who have reported sighting orange-colored discs. The newspaper says that all the accounts check closely in size, color, speed and flying behavior. OCT 1953

One North Bay citizen late in October told of a dozen night sightings of a "funny orange globe" which came out of the northeastern skies, wandered back and forth across the horizon, then vanished.

• Movie Record

On Sunday, August 30, 1953, or just one year before Lt. O'Farrell's sighting, Deputy-Director of the Department of Civil Aviation at Port Moresby, Mr. T. Drury, succeeded by chance to record the flight of an unidentified flying object on a motion picture film.

In this short film, containing but 94 frames, an oval object with a trail appears out of a cloud, makes a right-angle turn in its ascent without losing acceleration, levels off and continues its north-westerly course.

• Not From Woomera

During the interview of Mr. E. Jarroid with the RAAF Intelligence, the possibility of this being a missile fired from Woomera, was not only discounted, but even ridiculed.

Australia did not have any missiles with a 2,000-mile range in 1953, as to have been sighted over New Guinea. The Port Moresby UFO was seen travelling in a north-westerly direction. Had it come from Woomera, it would have been heading north-east.

The film was obviously of great interest to the Air Force. It was flown to the United States, where it remained for a number of months. Its importance can be guessed from the fact that the film is still behind the security fence and is not available to the Press.

• Senseless Secrecy

The writer has made a sketch of the film. Actually, there is no particular reason for secrecy because two similar motion pictures have already been released by the United States Air Force.

If UFO's are reported by qualified observers such as Lt. O'Farrell, a naval pilot who, according to his superiors, is "a man of experience", or by Mr. T. Drury, a senior officer of the Department of Civil Aviation, and both provide corroborative evidence — one the radar log-book entries, and the other, a motion picture, then there is a case for the "flying saucer."

• Parliament Mention

If the question of "unidentified flying objects" is raised in Parliament, there must be something concrete about them to warrant such a discussion by the Government leaders.

Southern England, Incl. London. Oct. 9, Nov. 3 and ???, 1953 AI-P-70

LONDON, Nov. 10, 1953 (AFP)— According to the "Daily Express", flying saucers were seen three times recently over Southern England. On October 9, the paper says, two pilots of British European Airways during a trip to Paris saw a circular object flying at a high altitude. Upon their return to London they learned that the control station at Northolt, by means of a radar screen, had followed an object which revolved about them at about 17,000 meters for 2 hours.

Last week(on Nov. 3) two officers of the Royal Air Force, while piloting a jet fighter of the "Vampire" type over Kent, England, perceived what they believed to be a shining, circular object which was revolving at 7,000 meters. A few seconds later, this object passed above them at a prodigious speed and in horizontal flight. Returning to their base, they were interrogated by the Information Service for 90 minutes and their report was sent to the competent authorities.

Finally, the paper reported that on the day when Commander Neville Duke beat the world speed record in at Tangmere in Sussex(when in hell is this????),a whitish object was observed revolving above the airfield at a high altitude. The ground crew at first believed that it was a meteorological balloon, but then saw the object suddenly fly at high speed.

The "Daily Express" adds that the RAF is exchanging information on this matter with the American Air Force.

Seven Oaks, England, November 6, 1953 AI-P-73

London, Nov. 19 (AFP)— According to the Evening Standard, Mr. Bridgland, a workingman of Seven Oaks (Kent County), saw "two strange objects" in the sky on the afternoon of Nov. 6, 1953.

According to the testimony of Mr. Bridgland, which is confirmed by ten of his colleagues, "two explosions took place." He adds: "Almost directly overhead, I saw two puffs of smoke and a vampire jet airplane pulling out of a dive power dive. The smoke gradually dispersed, and then I saw a small white object, motionless at a great altitude. I pointed it out to my fellow-workmen, but it was so high that they had trouble picking it up. The time was 3:15 p.m., the sky almost cloudless. At 4:30, the object was still in the same place, but it had seemed to be signaling. There had been a certain number of flashes, and shortly immediately thereafter a smaller object had seemed to separate from it. This smaller object remained motionless some distance from the larger one, then it too began to produce signals." (Tr. A. Natans)

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'SAUCERS' IN ENGLAND

Air Ministry Believes 'Thing' Was Meteorological Balloon

Special to The New York Times.

LONDON, Nov. 18—The "thing" that Royal Air Force pilots and Army radar operators saw over southern England several days ago may have been nothing more sinister than a meteorological observation balloon, an Air Ministry spokesman said today. Newspapers today published a number of "flying saucer" stories.

The Air Ministry said that on the day the objects were seen a balloon about twelve feet in diameter was sent up near the south coast.

"Underneath the balloon is a small parachute and also a triangular shaped object which is a specially designed metal radar reflector," it was explained. "This is to give a very strong echo on a radar screen, as strong an echo as would be given by a four-engined bomber."

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On November 5 there had been an even more startling encounter. Two RAF pilots, Flying Officers T. S. Johnson and C. H. Smythe, had sighted a UFO from their Vampire jet. Moving at tremendous speed, the saucer also was tracked on radar by the 256th Heavy Anti-Aircraft Regiment.

DAILY EXPRESS

Tuesday November 10 1953 FOUNDED BY LORD BEAVERBROOK Weather: Cold; showers

ROBBERY £14,000 jewels vanish in train **SAUCERS** The R.A.F. starts new probe

SAUCERS

Jet fliers see one from 20,000ft. up

Express Air Reporter DEREK DEMPSTER

FLYING OFFICER T. S. JOHNSON, pilot of a two-seat Vampire jet night-fighter and his navigator, Flying Officer G. Smythe, were flying at 20,000 feet over Kent when they saw an object which at first appeared to be a star or a bright stationary light.

They could not estimate its altitude, but it was very much higher than they were.

Within a few seconds of sighting it—last Tuesday morning—they saw the object move towards them and pass over the aircraft moving at tremendous speed.

The object was maintaining level flight. It was perfectly circular in shape, and appeared to be emitting or reflecting a fierce bright light around the edge but not at the tail or in the centre.

It was in sight for only 30 seconds. Both airmen remarked on the tremendous speed it was making.

Johnson and Smythe thought they would have their legs pulled about it when they came down and reported it at West Malling, Kent.

Instead the station commander, Group-Captain P. H. Hanley, took it so seriously he sent a report to Fighter Command. They took it seriously, too, and sent for the two officers, who were questioned for an hour-and-a-half.

On October 9 two B.E.A. pilots, Captain D. G. F. Fletcher and First Officer R. L. Lewis, saw an object in the sky on their route way from London to Paris.

On their return to London Airport they were told that Northolt had been plotting something on the radar screen that circled at 17,000 feet for two hours at a speed of 2? knots.

The sky beside Duke broke the world's speed record from Tangmere. Suddenly a saucer was seen hovering over the airfield.

One of the men who saw it was

Flight-Lieutenant Kenny, at Ports[illegible] He said: "It was a circular and whitish object. It was directly overhead in a height[illegible]

"We thought it was a test balloon until it started off at a terrific speed on a course NE [illegible] towards the Channel.

"There are times it wasn't. We had it in view for about five seconds.

"I was not the only one who saw it. Pilots and ground crews in my squadron had the other [illegible] sighted half-a-dozen.

He added: "It was piloted not by under 1000. But it moving so fast that the operators couldn't check its speed."

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ENGINES CUT

U.S. aircraft are now issued with a comprehensive action-guide on carefully thought-out questions. 42 in all, they're to be answered if a pilot is injured.

Ground staff crews have to answer 20 detailed questions.

Under the new small checklist if radio is silenced—over which area it is to be restored. Then new navigation aids, the A.Aids and the Customs [illegible] they were carried small weapons.

In general cases when "jam" [illegible] come near to a plane, [illegible] operators and sometimes cut out and [illegible] small bearer.

But everything went back in normal when the small arsenal disappeared.

Because of these reactions some experts believe experts are hoping the inspection will [illegible] engineers [illegible] motion power.

They also believe that Canadian engineers have discovered how to use this power and that it may be used in Project V—the Avro [illegible] Flying Saucer.

R.A.F. headquarters are taking [illegible] seriously that they are investigating each sighting fully.

They [illegible] information which is [illegible] to point of the sighting [illegible] Air Force has admitted that [illegible] saucers must be investigated.

This sighting came to light in [illegible] last week when a pilot of the new American bomb, Flying [illegible] Flight Lieutenant Ken Bowen [illegible] New York.

On the back of the glossy [illegible] was a personal copy of a letter from the Department of [illegible] to the publishers. The [illegible] two paragraphs said:

[illegible] air force have never asked that [illegible] sighting exists.

"Some of the personnel believe that there may be some strange [illegible] phenomena apparently unknown to us, but if the apparently [illegible] sightings [illegible] by more competent observers [illegible] correct them [illegible] by [illegible] explanation is the [illegible] interplanetary matter."

In America, several films of [illegible] have been taken.

The most startling [illegible]

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19th Nov:. Here's Dr Pratt – He had found a job for my 'Official' release – Harry Pincher – (see col. 2) the 'Express' Science Expert, is a sceptic – The International physic Society Problem, as explained in my letter, has been closed down in the U.S.

Am sending a copy of this to Edgar Chas Lewis

Love 2nd

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MYSTERY—AT 60,000 ft.

Army radar team spots the Thing R.A.F. pilots saw

Express Air Reporter DEREK DEMPSTER

FROM the staid and unfrivolous War Office last night came a report that a "strange object" seen passing over Kent on November 3 was, in fact, tracked by an Army radar set in South-East London.

This was the first time that an official report has been made in this country about objects that have been called "flying saucers."

The object over Kent was seen and reported first by Flying Officers T. S. Johnson and C. Smythe, who were at 20,000ft. in a Vampire jet that day.

They said the object was much higher than they were, that it passed over at tremendous speed, that it was circular, and that it was emitting or reflecting a fierce light.

When they reported this at West Malling air station investigations were begun.

It was learnt that the War Office had received a report on this object from a Territorial Army unit testing a radar set in Richmond, Lee Green.

This report, passed on last night by the War Office, came from 356 Heavy Anti-Aircraft Regiment, and was signed by A. S. Trew, a Grade 3 Technical Assistant.

The report says:—

"On the afternoon of Tuesday November 3, a radar set was being tested at this location at 14.30 hours G.M.T. A very large track echo was received on bearing S.E., angle 47 degs., sound range 30,000 yards.

Motionless

"The radar was locked on to follow track automatically. It was then noticed that the track was practically motionless on the bearings observed from the sighting telescope.

"The object appeared to be circular or spherical and white in colour.

"After approximately ten minutes this object began to move away very slowly, its bearings remaining constant. Finally it passed beyond radar tracking range at 15.10 hours. At this range the angle of elevation had decreased to 24 degs.

"From 14.45 hours to 15.10 hours on the same day, November 3, the object was also observed through the sighting telescope by the following persons:—

"Mr. A. J. Jeffery, technical storeman; H. Waller, sergeant radar operator; Mr. D. Fuller, fitter mechanic; and Mr. G. Russell, electrical control equipment, anti-aircraft group workshop."

This report means that the object was at 61,000ft.—11½ miles up—and lost height to 43,000 feet as it flew away.

'THERE IT WAS.. JUST SO BIG'

—SAYS THE RADAR SERGEANT

PICTURED above is Sergeant A. Harry Waller, the radar operator who tracked the Thing in the sky. He was photographed last night as he was saying:—

"It looked as big as this through the telescope."

Sergeant Waller, who is 33, was at his home in West Norwood, S.E., with his wife and two children.

He said: "It was pure chance we picked up the object.

"There was a strong echo on the screen, so I looked through the telescope, and there it was. Just like a tennis ball.

"Dead white it was, and completely circular. I couldn't see it with the naked eye.

"Then I called the other chaps, and, kind of lark-like, I said to them: 'Do you believe in flying saucers?' And they all had a look.

"Ever since then my pals have been calling me Flash Gordon—or, rather, the Admiral, my opposite character.

"The sky that day was very clear and blue with only a few high clouds. The object was stationary for about 15 minutes. Then it started to move off.

"It couldn't have been a balloon. To get the kind of signal we got, it must have been metallic. The signal was very intense and far greater than those obtained from normal aircraft.

"This is not the first time I've picked up things. Once I saw five objects flying in perfect formation much faster than our fastest aircraft.

"I called my pals to have a look, but when we got back they were gone."

What do YOU think they were, Sergeant Waller?

He replied: "At first I was sceptical, and didn't take much notice. Now I'm wondering. And I'm keeping a good look-out. It makes the work more interesting."

Coincided

The object tracked by radar was the one seen by the Vampire crew. That was established by Sergeant Harry Waller, the radar operator, in a talk with Flying Officer Johnson.

Three more radar trackings of "strange objects" were disclosed by the War Office last night. All were reported in daylight between September 14 and 22.

The first object was tracked at 70,000ft., the second at 50,000ft., and the third at 60,000ft.

In each case the radar echo was equal to that given by a large bomber between 900 and 2000ft. in width.

All that is official.

Unofficially, 33 British members of the former International Flying Saucer Bureau, which had headquarters at Bridgeport, Connecticut, have formed the British Flying Saucer Bureau.

They will investigate these so-far officially unexplained goings-on in the skies.

And the Flying Saucer Club has been started at Hove to exchange information with "saucer groups" all over the Western world.

WHO'S WATCHING US?

Or is it just a big balloon?

By CHAPMAN PINCHER

WELL, what WAS the strange object—seen, reported, and tracked by radar—which passed over Kent on Tuesday, November 3?

Do we have to jump to extravagant conclusions that this was something that came to the Earth from afar? Let us see the possibilities.

Could it have been a plane?

No. The only type of aircraft which can climb practically motionless to the object was reported by the radar trackers—is a helicopter.

And no known type of helicopter can go up to 70,000ft.—the height of one recorded object.

NO PLANE

Indeed, the greatest height ever reached by a jet is 63,668 feet, short of 70,000.

The greatest height reached by a rocket plane is 90,000ft., but then a rocket plane could not be "practically motionless" in the air.

So it was NOT a plane.

Could it have been a meteorite?

No meteorite or any other kind of "celestial phenomenon" could have produced such a peculiar record on the radar screen.

Could it have been a balloon?

Possibly.

Large plastic balloons up to 200ft. in width are being released by scientists investigating cosmic rays at heights up to 60 miles.

THAT SPEED

They record well on radar screens especially as some are coated with aluminium paint.

They can remain almost stationary for a short time at certain levels. When swept away by strong winds they would appear to move at high speed.

They are pear-shaped when first launched, but expand to become spherical, and then look white from the ground.

And the fact that the object sighted was losing height, when in "free away" supports the theory that it was a balloon from which the gas had begun to leak.

BUT physicists studying cosmic radiation at Bristol University—a main centre for this research—said last night that no cosmic ray balloon has been sent up, for the past three months.

Then maybe some other research centre in Britain or Europe is using these giant balloons.

US pilot flies at 1,272 mph

RAF Sees 'Saucer'

By Reuters

London

Britain for the first time has officially recorded a "flying saucer"—named "a strange object" by the staid War Office—passing through its skies.

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London, Nov. 3, 1953 AI-F-72

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Two AFP French accounts to be translated)

LONDON, Nov. 19 (Night lead) (Reuters)—The Air Ministry tonight punctured Britain's first official story about a flying saucer.

"It is probably a meteorological balloon," a spokesman said.

He had substantial evidence, too. ~~Xxx~~ He disclosed a weather balloon was released in the same area on the same date that an Army Radar screen tracked the "strange object" for ten minutes.

The spokesman said the balloon rose to 57,000 feet south of London Nov. 3, crossed the coast and later burst over the English Channel. Many such balloons, trailing a small white parachute and a metal reflector, are released daily, he said. The reflector gives a strong radar echo, the spokesman said.

The British War Office started the excitement last night with an official report on the mysterious "object." It said an Army Radar Unit was testing a new screen in southeast London when the set suddenly signaled a "very large target echo" from a point about 60,000 feet up.

[redacted]

A telescope trained on the object [redacted], the report said, showed it to be "circular or spherical and white in color."

War Office experts said the object must have been either a balloon--and they know ~~xxxx~~ of none in the area--or a flying saucer. Sgt. Harry Waller of the radar crew said yesterday that the radar signal was three to four times the strength of that of a heavy bomber.

"It could not etc etc etc" (same as above).

Journal-Every

Huge, Glowing Object in Sky Tracked by Radar in England

NOV 19 1953

Seen Twice This Month by Two Army Crews at Height Of About 60,000 Feet; Described as Dead White, Circular Like Tennis Ball

LONDON, Nov. 19 (AP).—An object described by observers as huge and glowing and probably metallic, has been tracked by radar high over England twice this month, the war office disclosed last night.

Official reports of the sightings have been made by members of two army radar crews, who estimated the object was 60,000 feet up.

The first report came from Sgt. Harry Waller and three others who were testing a radar unit for an anti-aircraft regiment in southeast London on Nov. 3.

In Sight 15 Minutes

The report said the object was kept under observation from 2:30 to 3:10 p. m. that afternoon, when it moved out of range.

"There was a strong echo on the screen, so I looked through the telescope, and there it was, just like a tennis ball," Waller told reporters. "It was dead white and completely circular. I couldn't see it with the naked eye.

"The sky that day was very clear and blue, with only a few high clouds. The object was stationary for about 15 minutes. Then it started moving off.

"It couldn't have been a balloon. To get the kind of signal we got, it must have been metallic. It must have been huge, because the signal was three or four times as large as that received from the biggest airliner."

Seen by Flying Officers

A similar report was made on Nov. 3 by T. S. Johnson and C. I. Smythe, flying officers of the Royal Air Force. They were at 20,000 feet in a jet plane, they said, when the object passed far overhead at "tremendous speed."

A British Air Ministry spokesman said last night every such report is investigated "but we are not prepared to comment on individual reports."

"About 95 per cent are found to be due to natural phenomena," he added. "About the others, the experts can reach no conclusions."

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What, No Saucers?

Great Britain, we suppose, has had a good deal more experience than we have in laying ghosts, what with all those old castles. Nevertheless, you can't help but admire the precise efficiency with which a dandy flying saucer scare was punctured and disposed of over there a couple of days ago.

On Nov. 3 a menacing object which reliable witnesses described as "huge, glowing, and metallic" was seen over the coastline. An RAF pilot in a jet nightfighter was one of the witnesses. However, what the public didn't know was that the machinery was already in motion to do something about it. A military radar team had the object on the scope and did an exacting job of tracking it. The findings were passed along, top secret, to the War Office.

From that point on it was a painstaking job of detective work. Apparently all government bureaus and airlines were asked to provide information on any plane or planes which might have been in the vicinity at the time. Finally the Air Ministry came up with something. The track of one of its weather balloons jibed almost exactly with the track furnished by the radar team. Official verdict: Probably just a weather balloon.

To those of us over here such an abrupt deflation is almost sacrilege. The Air Force messed around and collected interviews for almost three years before it issued its negative "Saucer Report." Imaginative amateurs and experts were allowed full rein with no government bureau going around [illegible] cold water. People still aren't satisfied that some of the aerial wows the saps which have been spotted by numerous reputable citizens among us, including a smattering of scientists, aren't visitors from outer space, or at least our own space ships.

Scratch a citizen here and you find very close beneath the surface a man who believes in flying saucers. But then, you have to keep repeating to yourself that we're a bunch of rank amateurs over here.

LIGHTS OVER BRITAIN

WHILE the Soviet press was screaming about "capitalistic flying saucers" Great Britain's War Office took an unprecedented step during November. For the first time it issued an official report on the sighting of an unidentified flying object.

RAF Flying Officers T. S. Johnson and C. Smythe were flying their Vampire jet at 20,000 feet on November 3 when they saw an object much higher than they were —Johnson and Smythe estimated it at 20,000 feet—pass over at tremendous speed. The object was circular and emitted or reflected a fierce light.

The officers reported the observation to their air station immediately and meanwhile the War Office had a report from a territorial army unit testing a radar set in southeast London. According to the report, the unit's radar was locked on to follow the object's track automatically. It appeared to be circular and white and it lost height to 45,000 feet as it flew away.

The War Office sat on its report until November 19 when it officially disclosed that three other radar trackings of strange objects had been reported between September 14 and September 22. In each case the radar echo was equivalent to that of a large bomber of from 100 to 200 feet.

The radar report from the 256th Heavy Antiaircraft Regiment in Southeast London quoted Sgt. Harry Waller and three other witnesses. "There was a strong echo on the screen, so I looked through the telescope and there it was, just like a tennis ball," Waller said. "It was dead white and completely circular. I couldn't see it with the naked eye.

"The sky that day was very clear and blue with only a few high clouds. The object was stationary for about 15 minutes. Then it started moving off.

"It couldn't have been a balloon. To get the kind of signal we got it must have been metallic. It must have been huge."

Warrington, England, Nov. 19, 1953 AI-F-74

London, Nov. 20 (AFP)— A new appearance of a "flying saucer" has been reported at Newton-Le-Willows, near Warrington (Lancaster County.) M.P. Bowers, subdirector of a refinery, and five of the employees saw a large metallic sphere in the sky on Thursday (Nov. 19). Mr. Bowers was watching three jet aircraft when he noticed the "object." The other witnesses made statements similar to his. According to Mr. Bowers, the object appeared spherical, but could have been a disc. "It was much higher than the ceiling of the airplanes," he says, "and as far as I could judge, was at least six or eight times as big. It could not have been a weather balloon, with a diameter of 12 feet."

The sphere was observed by other residents of Warrington. The command post of the nearby American air base of Burtonwood stated that no weather balloon had been sent up by them. (Transl. by A. Mebane)

sent up by [redacted].

Wilmington Morning News November 20 1953

New Flying Saucer in Britain Believed Weather Balloon

London Nov. 19 (UP)—Britain was suffering today from a new rash of "flying saucer" reports.

A "strange object" sighted November 3 over Kent County may have been a meteorological balloon or a revolutionary new aircraft of a "foreign power" - a jet-propelled "flying saucer."

The British War Office and Air Ministry, in reply to queries, announced that radar had tracked the "strange object" over Kent early this month.

The object was sighted by two RAF officers in a jet Vampire fighter and observed by an Army sergeant who was testing a radar set in East London.

The meteorological office said the "strange object" probably was one of its balloons. It said that November 3 it had a balloon flying at 60,000 feet over Kent.

LONDON, Nov. 24 (Reuters)— A recent flying saucer scare here was "all baloney," the House of Commons was told today.

Nigel Birch, Undersecretary for Defense, said so in reply to questions about mysterious flying objects spotted high over London end its environs Nov. 3 by [redacted] jet fighter pilots and by radar men of an anti-aircraft unit.

He reported that the circular white objects were really meteorological balloons.

"Then this story about flying saucers is all baloney?" asked Labor Member of Parliament George Isaacs.

Gravely replied Birch amid laughter: "I think your appreciation is very nearly correct." (Another villain. Shoot 'im, shoot 'im!!)

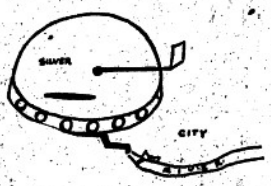
"FLING SAUCER"

London, Ont., November 18, 1953.—The city room of the London *Free Press* was invaded by 11-year-old Billy McKibbin and 12-year-old George Miller who reported they had just seen a "fling sauser."

Billy and George were standing on high ground near the Egerton Street Bridge at 8:50 a.m. when they saw an elliptically-shaped object hovering over the East End sewage plant. They watched it for some time, they went on to the Pond Mills school where they told their teacher, Mrs. Grace Williams, what they had seen.

She suggested they make a drawing of the object. When she saw their drawing, Mrs. Williams gave the two boys fare to catch a London and Port Stanley railroad train into the city to give the drawing to the London *Free Press*. Billy and George said that six other pupils at the school saw it.

The object was round and appeared to have a flag. It was a shining silver, seemed to be spinning fast, and was quite low in the air. There was no exhaust or sound. A number of adults reported seeing a similar object.—London *Free Press*.



Drawing of "fling saucer" seen by Billy McKibbin, 11, and George Miller, 12, at their school near London, Ont. Six other pupils at the school saw the object.

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Are Martians Interested?

Flying Saucer Seen At Big 3 Parley Site

By MERRIMAN SMITH
United Press Writer

Tucker's Town, Bermuda—The Martians—if they're where the flying saucers come from—are quite interested in what President Eisenhower, Prime Minister Churchill and French Premier Joseph Laniel will discuss here this weekend.

A spokesman for a commercial aircraft service company here reported at 1:20 in the morning earlier this week that a flying saucer was circling the island.

This man described it as a "silvery-yellow" object. U. S. Air Force officers were not at all alarmed and the advance party from Washington took no extra precautions.

The Martians could not get in the Mid-Ocean Club—site of the Big 3 meeting—even if they landed a fleet of saucers here for the simple reason they have proper passes and probably would arrive without dinner jackets.

Bermuda is slightly colder than South Florida at this time of year. The temperature is running in the high sixties during the day and only the balmy nights and the swimming pools.

honeymooners brave the sea

Capetown, South Africa, November ??, 1953 AI-F-75

PRETORIA, S. Africa, Nov. 19 (Reuters)-- Objects which might be flying saucers have been seen by several experienced South African Air Force officers and "other reliable observers," Defense Headquarters reported here today.

A spokesman said the reports have been sent to Military Intelligence.

"There is now a regular exchange of information between our Air Force and the Royal Air Force. We have accumulated a great deal of information."

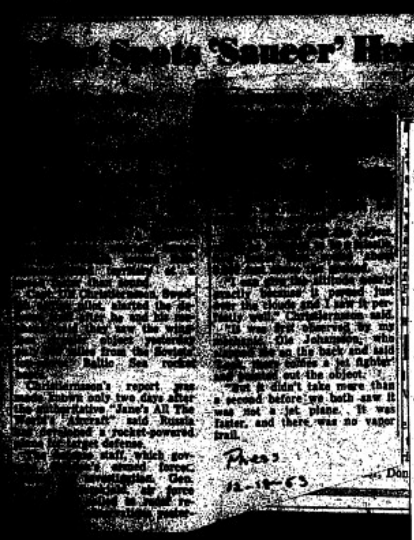
"We have had some very clear descriptions of the phenomena by experienced officers who are trained in the detection of rockets and other objects moving at high speed."

A senior Air Force officer in [redacted] Capetown said today the reliability of several reports sent to Air Force Headquarters is beyond question.

A mysterious radar contact which indicated the existance of some unexplained phenomenon in the sky of the Cape Peninsula now is being investigated, he said. The radar contact was "undoubtedly with something solid."

Dec 1953

In South Africa an official radar report was under careful investigation. Near the end of 1953 military radar operators had tracked a mysterious object flying across the Cape Peninsula at 1278 miles per hour. As they watched, the saucer flew back and forth, crossing the cape six times before it disappeared. The report was released—in the public interest—by Major F. J. van Nierkerk, chief radar instructor at the School of Coast and Anti-Aircraft Artillery.



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(Includes NY Post 12/18/53)

Stockholm, Dec. 17, 1953 (Reuters)—Captain Ulf (Alf?) Christiernsson (British RAF), flying DC-3 at about 6500 ft. over Haessleholm (southern Sweden). Visibility good. Completely symmetrical metal object. Rushed toward plane from opposite direction and zipped beneath at "colossal speed." No smoke or vapor trail. In view about 4 secs. "Absolutely sure it was not a meteor or any other sort of celestial body." Mechanic verifies statement.

Reuters from Stockholm Dec. 18: Capt. C. sticks to his story. Object resembled two saucers with their edges placed against each other.

Not picked up on radar. "Seen at Lund (?) University, southern Sweden."

Southern Sweden,(Haessleholm), Dec. 17, 1953 AI-F-76

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Dec. 17 (Reuters)-- A veteran Swedish Pilot reported today he sighted a "symmetrical metal object" travelling at a "colossal speed" over southern Sweden today.

The pilot's statement was released by the Swedish Defense Staff which said it was making a thorough investigation of the report.

The pilot who fought during the War with the British RAF was Captain Ulf Christiernsson. He gave this account:

He saw the object while flying his DC-3 Airliner at about 6,500 feet over Haessleholm. Visibility was good.

"As I got nearer, I saw it was a completely symmetrical object. It is difficult to find words to describe something one has not seen before, but it looked like a robot."

He immediately informed his mechanic, Olle Johansson. The object rushed toward the plane from the opposite direction and zipped beneath leaving no smoke or vapor trail. He had in in view for about 4 seconds.

Captain Christiernsson said he was absolutely sure it was neither a meteor nor any other sort of celestial body.

The defense department's statement said no other Swedish plane was in the Area at the time of the flight.

Nürnberger Nachrichten 19 December 1953

Swedish General Staff Published The Report Of Two SAS Pilots Again "Flying Saucers"
500 Yards Below The Scheduled Transport Plane A Metallic Disc At 1,200km/hr

Stockholm, 19 Dec. - The puzzle of "flying saucers," quiet for months, has suddenly moved into the forefront again.

The Swedish General Staff published a report yesterday that was given to them by two pilots of the Skandinavian Airlines System, SAS, describing the sighting of a flying saucer. They were at the controls of the regular airliner Thursday afternoon, flying from Malmo to Stockholm. At 2:37 PM an object suddenly crossed the path of their airliner. It was reported to be of metal construction and had no windows or any other transparent openings.

Haessleholm, Sweden, Dec. 17, 1953 (con't) AI-F-76

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 18 (Reuters)— A veteran Swedish pilot today stuck to his story about sighting a strange metal object whizzing through the sky—and even elaborated a bit.

Capt. Ulf Christiernsson told newsmen the object resembled "two saucers with their edges placed against each other." Last night, he ~~xxx~~ said he had seen "a symmetrical metal object—like a robot" a few hours earlier over southern Sweden.

The pilot's original statement was released by the Swedish Defense Staff which immediately launched a thorough investigation. Outside of Christiernsson's mechanic flying with him in a DC-3 Airliner, nobody has stepped forward to verify the incident.

A spokesman of the Swedish Defense Staff said tonight that a check of radar stations through the nation failed to turn up any evidence about such an abnormal object. He said the "thing" was definitely not a Swedish Aircraft of any sort.

The object was not sighted at the Lund University in South Sweden—close to the area where Christiernsson said it flew past him "at colossal speed" at about 5,000 feet altitude.

He said visibility was good at the time, but it came from the opposite direction and passed about 2,000 feet below his plane, permitting him to examine it for only about four seconds. It left no smoke or vapor trail, he said.

Christiernsson, who flew with the British Air Force during WW II, said he was certain the object was not a meteor or any other sort of celestial body.

Lund University's Professors said the object could not be one of the University's balloons which are sent up occasionally to study cosmic radiation.

The Stockholm Evening Newspaper, "Aftonbladet", conjectored it might have been a "Soviet Robot Aircraft" which had strayed from experimental rocket bases along the ~~xxxx~~ Baltic Coast. The newspaper was alone in this theory.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 18 (AP)— A Swedish pilot told today of seeing a mysterious object flash by at tremendous speed and Stockholm newspapers immediately labelled it a "Russian Robot."

"Russian Robot from base at Libau" said a six-column headline in Aftonbladet, the city's largest newspaper.

The story speculated that the object was "a Russian Robot launched from the Baltic Coast and sweeping at supersonic speed on an elliptical course over northern Scania (a Swedish Province) and Denmark and finally piloted home to its base by remote control."

Pilot Ulf Christiernson, a Swedish citizen but a British RAF flyer during WW II, said he had never seen anything like it.

"This object," he told newsmen, "was completely symmetric and I would say it had a spherical appearance, in a way robot-like. It was metallic, white and left no vapor trail as it swept by just above the clouds.

He said he and his engineer both saw it while flying over south Sweden.

The Swedish Air Force said it was investigating the mystery. A spokesman said "it was no Swedish Aircraft and nothing unusual showed on our Air Defense Radar Screens. It was not a Swedish weather balloon as they are all accounted for."

He added that it was not a meteor but noted that propaganda balloons are flying across the iron curtain in both directions daily.

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Swedes Report 'Flying Saucer' Near Reds' Secret Baltic Bases

British Royal Air Force during World War II, said he had never seen anything like it before.

He said it headed south over a low-lying cloud layer which would obscure it from ground observers. He described it as appearing in the direction of East Germany's Baltic shore, near the former Nazi research station at Peenemunde, now operated by the Russians.

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SAUCERS OVER SCANDINAVIA

IN December the Swedish Royal Air Force ordered a full investigation into a mysterious object observed by crew members of an airliner over Southern Sweden just across the Baltic Sea from Russian secret bases.

Crew members of the airliner sighted the object traveling at supersonic speed over the town of Haesleholm in southern Sweden late on December 17.

Capt. Ulf Christiernsson, pilot of the DC-3 liner, said it was a "round missile" and was in sight for six or seven minutes. SECONDS

The Soviet Press promptly disclaimed all responsibility for the missile and called flying saucers "figments of the imaginations of western warmongers designed to make taxpayers swallow heavier military budgets."

The unprecedented Moscow denial quoted *Red Star*, official newspaper of the Red Army: "To fan war hysteria the aggressive forces stop at nothing, the Russian denial said. "The mythical 'saucers' take off from the pages of the bourgeoise press every time the ruling circles of this or that capitalist country — on orders from Washington — try to foist upon the people the new burden of military expenditures."

Meanwhile, here is a translation of a Norwegian news story recently sent to the FATE offices:

"A flying saucer has been found in the inhospitable snow and ice of Northeast Spitzbergen, a Norwegian island north of Russia, according to unverified intelligence reports.

"The object looked like a silver disk, made of unknown metal, with jet motors which made the disk turn around a little dome of transparent plastic. In this dome were several instruments. There was sufficient space to house atom or other bombs. The action-radius is estimated to be 30,000 kilometers, the attainable altitude about 160 kilometers.

"The object was found by six Norwegian jets on summer maneuvers. Their radar instruments indicated red — meaning the approach of an unknown metal object. By accident the commander looked below him and saw on the frozen ground a great metal shining disk among a tangle of wires. In the center of the disk was a partly destroyed steering cabin.

"While circling around the object the pilots saw no sign of any life. They went to Narvik and told of their discovery. Shortly after, five planes equipped with skis landed near the disk.

"The rocket specialist, Dr. Norsel, who went with the planes, said the disk was without doubt one of the famous flying saucers. In the disk was [illegible] ed by a nucleus of plutonium. It [illegible] an [illegible] measuring sound.

"The object, probably from Russia, has been brought by ship to Narvik, Norway."

This report was dated August 8, 1953. Since then there has been no follow-up or other comment from Norway that has come to our attention. It is presented here for what it may be worth.

Sweden Probes 'Saucer'

By the United Press

Stockholm

Sweden's defense high command has ordered a full-scale investigation into reports that a silver-colored object streaked across southern Sweden toward Soviet-controlled territory at a speed faster than sound.

Capt. Ulf Christiernsson, veteran Swedish airline pilot, alerted the defense staff after he and his passengers said they saw the winged, circular object flying at 12,000 feet only 250 miles from Soviet Russia's top-secret Baltic Red Fleet base.

The report was made known only two days after the defense theatre "Jane's All the World's Aircraft" said the U.S.S.R. has developed a rocket-powered plane for target defense.

Captain Christiernsson said he was the object which was believed to be a missile, speeding over the town of Hassleholm in the main commercial airlane between Stockholm and Copenhagen.

A preliminary radar report indicated that heavy traffic in the airlane prevented observers from deciding whether Captain Christiernsson observed ordinary planes or an unidentified object.

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Reuters Dispatch from Melbourne, Australia, Feb. 14, 1954

Captain Douglas Barker, veteran airline pilot, reported sighting on New Year's day a "semi-transparent object shaped like a mushroom on a stick, oscillating rapidly in and out of the thick cloud and travelling faster than any jet."

Civil Aviation Department Regional Director, A. R. McComb, says: "Captain Barker is a very experienced pilot and unlikely to imagine things. His report will be fully investigated."

On January 1, 1954, Captain Douglas Barker, who has flown with the TAA since 1947 and who had previously served for three years with the RAAF, reported to the Department of Civil Aviation that he had seen "a metallic mushroom - shaped object" flying low above the Yarra Valley. The Department admitted that "Captain Barker was a very experienced pilot, who is not likely to imagine things."

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On January 1, Captain Douglas Barker, an Australian airline pilot, reported a strange flying object moving rapidly in and out of a cloud. After Barker reported his sighting, other Australian pilots came forward with similar reports. At Melbourne, on January 9, a spokesman for the Royal Australian Air Force made this public statement:

"If flying saucers could be interplanetary, we should be able to fly into space in 40 years. Why shouldn't people on other planets have already reached this stage?".

January 1, 1954 AI-F-764

(paper)

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Then on January 7, 1954, one of the mystery blasts was definitely linked to the saucers. That night, at Dieppe, France, a disc was sighted above the city moving at high speed. Immediately afterward a typical sky quake shook many Dieppe houses, frightening hundreds of residents.

From W. Webb, The Nature of the True UFO, May 1956, p. 63

January 3, 1954, Victoria, Australia: 11 a.m., John W. Boyle, Vice Pres. of the Victoria branch of the British Astronomical Assn, saw a metallic object moving through the sky at an est. rate of 5° degrees per sec, and at an altitude of about 30,000 ft. The UFO rocked from side to side and flashed in the sunlight. Boyle said its speed might have been 1000 mph and its diameter ab. 60 feet if it was at 30,000 ft. Visible for 30 secs.

DIEPPE, FRANCE, Jan. 7, 1954(½) (Reuters)— A powerful explosion rocked this port early today, shattering windows, blasting open doors and waking most of the inhabitants.

The explosion was preceded by a blinding flash in the sky.

Some people said the explosion came four minutes after the flash. Some said eight minutes. They also differed on the direction. It was seen 50 miles away.

A railwayman at Orchies, near the Belgian border, said he saw a fiery disc in the sky moving at great speed about the time of the Dieppe explosion.

Dieppe, France, Jan. 7, 1954 AI-F-

Dieppe, Jan. 7 (AFP)— A mysterious phenomenon took place at Dieppe between 3:30 & 4 a.m. this morning (Greenwich Mean Time). A dazzling light, noticed particularly by 70 Longshoremen, was followed some minutes later by an explosion which jarred open numerous doors and blew out several windows in the town, and awakened most of the townspeople with a start. The Dieppe semaphore (Coast Guard Station?) queried those of the smaller ports of the coast, and found that the phenomenon had also been noticed by them, with the exception of the Havre semaphore, which observed nothing. Numerous accounts were collected; although they differed in detail, all confirmed the event, whose origin is a matter of conjecture. Some drew a correlation with the fact that a fishing boat returned to Dieppe, about a week ago, all punctured by little splinters that might have come from an aerolite.

(Transl. by A. Mebane)

Montevideo, Uruguay, Feb. 28, 1954 AI-F-77

MONTEVIDEO, Feb. 28 (AFP)— A flying saucer appeared today over Montevideo as thousands of people were at the beaches near the capitol. It was observed through binoculars by many resort visitors.

The object was in the form of a metallic disc with yellowish reflections. It remained stationary for about 2 minutes at a high altitude over Pocistos ~~PKK~~ Place before disappearing on the horizon on the horizon.

MONTEVIDEO, March 1 (AFP)— It has been confirmed, at ~~XXXXXXXXX~~ Montevideo, the appearance of a "flying saucer" seen yesterday by bathers ~~in~~ at ~~the~~ Pocistos Place, near the Uruguayean ~~xxpx~~ capital. The control tower of the principal airport of Montevideo has in effect seen the mysterious object which se dirigeait toward the northwest at a dizzying speed. It had been ascertained that at a certain moment, a small disc detatched itself from the saucer which followed it in its evolutions (maneuvers). The two celestials objects disappeared a little later in a northerly direction. (Emouse of translation by TRB)

February 18, 1954: A queer object streaked with a roar over Alice Springs, Central Australia, at 4:30 a.m., and was neither a jet nor any other type of terrestrial plane, says the Australian civil aviation traffic control. Only a month earlier, the local newspaper, *Centralian Advocate*, had published a local photograph of a saucer, black, and over 150 feet in diameter, seen hovering over the local Mt. Gillen. It whizzed off at terrific speed and its size was enormous. The picture showed that the thing was a circle in shape and had heavy veins running to the rim of the circumference.

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Singapore Sunday Times, Apr. 25, 1954

Long article on Coniston saucer

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Katterbach

(Bavaria)

Germany

Seen: March 2, 1953

Fliegende Untertasse oder nicht?

KATTERBACH, 4. März (ms)

Saucer or Not ?
Strange Sky Pheno observed

Paul Krüger of Ansbach and his friends Lenz and Schrehard, employed in Katterbach, asked themselves this question as they discovered a strange, white object in the sky.
They observed a small, white disc just south of Katterbach, hovering easily visible in the sky. Time 10:30 AM.
It did not change position until about 1 PM when an American plane was sent up to investigate. The white dot then curved away at great speed and disappeared. So maintain Krüger and his pals.
This strange pheno. is said to have been watched by many other inhabitants of Katterbach.

Ansbacher Nachrichten
4 March

Selangor, Malaya, March 12, 1954, and twice previously AI-F-78

SINGAPORE, March 13, 1954 (AFP)— A mysterious object, evoquant a flying cigar, has been seen three times ~~xxxxxx~~ in the last month in the Cote Malaise de Selangor. The inhabitants of the village of Klang and of the Port of Swettenham se sont precipites into the ~~xx~~ streets to contemplate "the thing", which was seen d'apparaitre subitement, rose vertically, and disappeared into ~~xxxxxxxxx~~ a cloud.

~~XXXX~~ According to the eye-witnesses it resembled a fusilage of a torpedo. Grey, it had little wings. It remained visible for about a dozen minutes, flying at an altitude of about 25,000 feet. The Aeronautical Authorities have not tried to explain this phenomenon and have affirmed that it was not d'un ballon. il ressemblait en tout cas pas

March 17, 1954: A cigar-shaped flying saucer flew very high over Malaya. Spectators at a football match at Preston, Lancs., Eng., saw a flying saucer going west.

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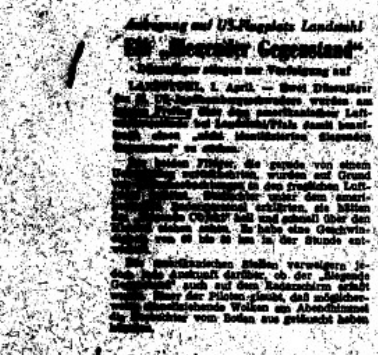
The most impressive encounter had been between Seattle and Anchorage, Alaska. Soon after taking off from Seattle two Northwest Airline pilots had been startled to see a huge, round machine flying alongside. A bluish fluorescent glow shone from the side of this strange ship. Through binoculars the pilots could see a number of windows or ports. Cautiously they tried to close in for a better look. Each time the mysterious craft either shot ahead or climbed up steeply, then turned and resumed its former position. This continued until they neared Anchorage, Lucas reported. The pilots, he said, had been questioned for two days by Intelligence before going on to Tokyo. They stated that the object was definitely under someone's control.

In the second case a Colonial Airlines captain, flying near Washington, saw a brightly glowing saucer descend steeply from the stratosphere. It flew parallel to the plane for several moments, then swiftly reversed its direction and climbed back into the night. The captain, Lucas said, was a man of mature judgment, a college graduate, and an attorney as well as a pilot.

Landstuhl / Palatinate F-79

Germany

Seen: March 26, 1954



Nürnberger Nachrichten 4/1/54

Excitement at US Airbase Landstuhl
A "Flying Object"
Jets scramble

Two jets of the 86th US Fighter-Bomber Squadron were ordered last Friday to search for an "unidentified flying object."
The two pilots, returning from an exercise, were guided into proper direction by ground observers. American ground personnel declared they saw the bright object cross the sky quickly with a speed of about 40 to 60 mph.
American authorities refused any information whether the object had also been spotted on Radar. One of the pilots believes that the observers on the ground might have been fooled by fast-moving clouds on the evening sky.

Paris - AFP Oct. 3, 1954 A. Isenberg file

METZ--At Fair, searchlight beam crew saw at est. 10 km. luminous circle which remained motionless for several hours. Radar detected nothing. Military authorities: "Special meteorological phenomenon?"

See also Michel,

From Wilkins Appendix A. Isenberg file

Alice Springs, Australia, Feb. 18, 1954

1 month earlier (e.g. Jan. , 1954) the local newspaper, Centralian Advocate, had published a local photograph of a saucer, black, more than 150 ft. diameter, over ~~them~~ Mt. Gillen (local).

From Wilkins Appendix A. Isenberg file

April 28, 1954 - 45 mi. west of Geelong, Victoria, 7:20 a.m. - Railroad engineer A. E. Smith (26 yrs.) and fireman Colin Beacon (23 yrs.), on freight train, "both are skilled and dependable men," reported to the Council for Science and Industrial Research that a huge round dark mass plunged straight down at the train. It "screamed down," then suddenly raced up towards the sky. Adventure (sic) lasted 4 minutes. No windows or doors seen. Trees in the background looked like matchsticks. "It could have been a quarter of a mile in diameter."

Smith and Beacon both saw it stand still in the air like a huge monsterhovering over us, and unlike any possible aircraft. came within 350 ft. Beautifully clear morning. After plunging about the sky, rose higher and higher until out of sight. Beacon said object looked both dark blue and black.

Wilkins appendix A. Isenberg file

May 25, 1954 - Brisbane, Queensland, midnight: Object about 150 ft. high flying over 100-mi. stretch of road 318 mi. west of Brisbane. (Varying reports as to size, shape, etc.)

Wilkins appendix A. Isenberg file

May 25, 1954 - "Fountain-pen shaped"object flashed across sky in West Cornwall, 9:30 p.m. Hundreds saw it; about 5000 ft. up; hissing noise, orange flame at tail.

Wilkins appendix

May 29, 1954 - Solid mass of iron found in Kent, England.

March '54 AI file - F-79

Alice Springs, Australia, reported Apr. 1, 1954
(Reuters)

Aboriginal told his employers he was "almost skittled" by an object about 100 ~~mi~~ mi. south of Alice Springs. Sonny, riding a horse, saw object about 40 ft long, "like a ball with a tail, very low in the sky and coming toward him from the opposite direction," said his boss, Arthur Pope.

Lifted sharply after passing him, causing a heavy wind.

Four columns of smoke spurted from each side of it and he heard a rumbling noise. Other natives also report seeing a strange object at great distance, or hearing a noise similar to that heard by Sonny.

April 1, 1954: The Debrowe Laboratories, Oxford, Eng., who have devised "an electronic camera," say: "We have been able to concentrate energy particles in a controlled magnetic field, and believe that the materialisation of saucers at certain positions in the earth's magnetic field is entirely possible."

April 18, 1954: Mr. G. Evans, a former member of the Royal Air Force, was having tea in his house at Macclesfield, Cheshire, Eng., at 8:15 p.m., when, chancing to look out of the window, he saw to the north a flying saucer, which did a slow turn, and then passed a cloud at a speed faster than a jet plane – say, 700 miles an hour. It then vanished in the east. He rushed for his binoculars, and went outside, but he did not see it again. The object was silent. He said the thing was like a balloon with a fin on it, but it was not a balloon of any sort, nor an astronomical phenomenon. Its course was about 45 degrees from the horizon. Wind about 10 miles an hour, west to east. Apparent size about 6 feet; but he assures me that there was no window-distortion that would have created an optical illusion.

I wrote to the Royal Air Force Air base at Ringway, but the commandant there said: "I can make no comment on this phenomenon. I have forwarded a report to higher authority."

April 20, 1954: Two American railroadmen had a remarkable experience with a "weaving, screaming flying saucer," which flashed straight down from the sky at their locomotive, hauling a freight train, 45 miles west of Geelong, Victoria, at 7:20 a.m.

He said was "gigantic." The engineer is Mr. A. E. Smith (58), and the fireman is Mr. Colin Benson (22). Both, skilled and dependable men, have reported the terrifying experience to the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research. Says Mr. Smith: "I nearly keeled out of the cab of the engine when I saw a huge, round, dark mass plunging straight down at my train. It screamed down and then suddenly raced up towards the sky. The adventure lasted *four minutes* and was amazing and terrifying. I could see no windows or doors in it. Trees in the background looked like matchsticks against its vast bulk. *It could have been a quarter of a mile in diameter!* I called Ted, my fireman, and we both saw it stand still in the air, like a huge monster hovering over us, and unlike any possible aircraft. It was a beautifully clear morning, and no possibility of any illusion. It came within 350 feet of us, and I felt that it was driven, but the way it careened round the sky, you would have thought it was driven by an amateur. It may sound silly, but it must have been something from another planet! After plunging about the sky, it rose higher and higher and went out of sight." Mr. Benson said the object looked dark blue and black.

Flying Saucer Reported in Kalihi

A round, wingless, silvery object was reported hovering over Kalihi at an undetermined elevation, at 9:45 this morning, then disappeared.

Joseph [illegible] of 1722-E Lima Street, said he watched the object this morning through binoculars. "It hovered over our house, very high, for a few seconds, then--poof--it disappeared," he said. He said it had no wings and was not an airplane. It was the first time he had ever seen such an object, he added.

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On the night of April 21, a flying saucer had made four quick passes across Cook Inlet at Anchorage, Alaska. Seen through binoculars, it paced a nearby plane for a moment, then raced back over the inlet, its glowing shape clearly reflected in the water. The sighting was immediately reported to Air Force Intelligence at Elmendorf Field.

Despite Pentagon secrecy orders, Intelligence officers told city police that flying saucers had been sighted repeatedly over Cook Inlet for the last three weeks. This strange admission broke as a front-page story with banner headlines in the Anchorage *Daily News*.

In May of 1954, James W. Moseley, whom you know (and who now denies the real existence of flying saucers), was in Lima; he said that while flying from Trujillo to Chiclayo he had seen a saucer, on April 29, 1954. He also said that in the desert near Trujillo he had seen circular markings left by the vertical landing of a saucers. As to the one he saw for himself, he said that it was of a brilliant metallic appearance, and seemed to be hovering a few meters off the ground. He photographed it from above, from the airplane. Then, while the plane was turning, the saucer disappeared. Moseley said further that later, on the ground, he examined more closely the circular markings he had seen in the desert. The ground appeared scorched and at the same time soft, as if it had been painted. He believed at that time that the saucers were from another planet; nowadays, very suspiciously, he denies their existence.

Hong Kong, or mid-Pacific, May 1, 1954 AI-F-790

HONG KONG, May 11 (Taipei Taiwan Home Service)— In Hong Kong a Pan-American World Airways crew saw what may have been a nuclear explosion on May 1 in the mid-Pacific. Airlines sources who talked with members of the Boeing Stratocruiser's crew said that the pilots had witnessed what looked like a sudden tremendous sun-rise, but it could not have been that because it was in the middle of the night.

The crest of the light burst was estimated at about 62,000 feet high. It was not known whether an official report was filed by the crew, which returned to the United States a few days later.

May 13, 1954 Torne River Valley, Sweden
AI-F-80

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Stockholm, May 14 (Reuters)—Swedish Military authorities are investigating reports of a "round luminous object with a long fiery tail" seen flying over northern Sweden yesterday. Several residents of the Torne River Valley, including a farmer and two women school teachers, reported seeing the object high up in the air in bright sunshine. (The object) traveled fast but made no sound. Similar reports were made in northern Finland and Norway yesterday.

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British Air Chief Believes Other Planets Send Saucers

Hayes Barr, England, May 26 (AAP)—Air Chief Marshal Lord Dowding, who commanded the home fighter plane forces in the World War II Battle of Britain, said yesterday he believed in flying saucers.

The 73-year-old retired airman told the Kent Federation of Spiritualists:

"I believe there are people on other planets who are operating—through flying saucers—to help our world in its present crisis."

May 27, 1954: Reports from Ayr, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, that, at midnight, people saw they sighted a mysterious object, about 100 feet in diameter, flying over a 100-mile stretch of road, about 100 feet in altitude, flying over a 100-mile stretch of road, about 110 miles west of Brisbane. A greater part of the object, which hovered, was yellow, as large as a cabin cruiser, with two red. A cameraman said it seemed to be V-shaped, with two red lights. Policemen say it does into sight at a height of 200 feet, then accelerated rapidly. The planes were in sight at the time. Earlier on the same day, a brother reported seeing a similar object "like a long white sausage," which hung in the sky for 5 minutes, and vanished. He was delivering meat to a farm in Carnarvon, Queensland.

May 29, 1954: Albert Dilling, a farmer, ploughed up on his field at Hooker's Hill, Hong, Hockley, Essex, Eng., a strange object of solid iron which he, at first, took for an unexploded 500-pound German bomb, dropped during the night raids on London, in 1940-41. But when the bomb disposal experts of the British Army's Royal Engineers' corps examined it, they said it was no bomb at all, but a cylindrical iron object, 2 ft. 8 in. long and 1 ft. in diameter, pointed at one end, blunt at the other, and weighing 5 hundredweights (cwt). "I have never seen such an object before," said an R.E. captain. "It is a solid mass of iron, and made a crater where it fell on the ground. It must have been dropped from the air, since it made a 'splash crater' in the field." The bomb disposal squad, who could not identify the mysterious object, removed, under special orders, to photograph it.

Author's Comment: I have 3 radio logs this date, above, and, on one occasion saw a globular enemy over the sky in this very region where this iron object was found.

May 29-30, 1954 Melbourne suburbs
AI-F-

_____(paper)

Melbourne, Australia, May 30 (Reuters)—Fourteen persons here today reported seeing a "flying saucer" over the city's suburbs during the last 24 hours. One said the saucer, "an oval shaped thing as big as a railway coach," loomed his house.

Dark Shapes In "Saucer" Youth Says

MELBOURNE, Sun.—A "flying saucer" was reported during a fantastic spree over Melbourne early today—and, according to 18-year-old David Hogan, it seemed to have people in it.

Hogan and five friends saw the object—"cone-shaped and as big as a railway carriage"—as they were leaving a friend's home in Wilmot-street, East Malvern.

"I could distinctly see dark shapes like heads in the object," he said.

"If I had seen the same things in an aeroplane, I would have said they were people."

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May 30, 1954: Mr. R. Glover, who lives at Happ's Edge, Boxmoor, Herts., Eng., informs me that in the late autumn of 1952, at 9:30 p.m., while a stream of very high flying Royal Air Force 'planes were on manoeuvres, he was surprised to see a strange light drop at great speed, from very high in the sky, and vanish behind trees on the crest of high ground near his house, which lies near Chalfont St. Giles, Bucks – the location, in January 1954 and earlier, of the mysterious subterranean noises. The trees on the ridge are about 2 miles northeast of Chalfont St. Giles. The light was not a flare dropped by aircraft; nor was there any report of a mishap to a 'plane. It may be supposed that there might be conditions favorable to some interplanetary visitor to baffle ground radar, and alight and vanish – *underground?*

Author's Comment: In 1950, a strange cigar-shaped, nonterrestrial aeroform, of the type described in my book (*Vide* the Index to the Book, *Saucers:* hostile types) *as probably inimical to this planet*, was seen by several residents, in the afternoon, to release two satellite disks which flew off in different directions. (It was also seen, a few hours later, over the skies of Sweden, across the North Sea).

June 2, 1954: Jeanne Brown, a 14-year-old girl, [illegible] Boxmoor, near Melbourne, Australia, [illegible] 9:30 p.m., when, about 100 yards away, on the [illegible] friend, Jeanette Johnson, aged 13, saw a flying saucer hovering in the air for 5 minutes.

She told the *Melbourne Argus:* "I was so scared. I begged my parents to move to another suburb, in case the saucer tried to destroy our home and us. I was panicking, as a madman, waiting for my girl friend, when I heard a [illegible] were no cars or motorcycles around. Then [illegible] appeared over a factory, and [illegible] my torch. It got above the [illegible] when I shone my torch, whether [illegible] light: a gleaming, bluish, silvery [illegible] away on the top of the factory [illegible] it, or as if it wanted to look at me. It was cylindrical, about 20 feet long and 15 feet high, with a canopy and windows on top and a window on each end. Then my friend arrived, and I said to her to watch the saucer. She did. She said: A silvery cylinder rose above the house and swept away in a wide circle over the International Harvester factory a few hundred yards away. It stayed on top of the factory for about a minute, then vanished behind some trees."

Miss Brown made a sketch of the saucer – I have a copy of it. Parents of both girls say that the girls have had no sleep since the night they saw the saucer, and are [illegible]

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(Reuters) Wellington, NZ June 25, 1954--Two persons, the daughter of Mrs. F. Bell and Jack Mantel, manager of local timbermill, saw a UFO at 8:30 this morning in the Tongariro region (remote central area of North Island).

Mantel estimated the altitude as 25,000 feet. First seen hovering, then moved off at tremendous speed and vanished toward the south. Described it as shaped like a large flattish bowl. Said it was possible to distinguish what might have been two jets protruding from the surface.

WELLINGTON, N.Z., June 25, 1954 (Reuters)— Two persons claimed today to have seen a flying saucer hovering over the remote central area of New Zealand's North Island.

The object was sighted at 8:30 this morning in the Mount Tongariro Region by the young daughter of Mrs. F. Bell. After Mrs. Bell saw it she notified Jack Mantel, manager of a local timbermill, who said he saw it quite plainly.

Mantel estimated its altitude at 25,000 feet and said it was hovering in the sky when he first looked. It then moved off at a tremendous speed and vanished toward the south, he added.

The timbermill manager described the object as shaped like a large, flattish bowl. He said it was possible to distinguish what might have been jets protruding from the surface.

'Flying Saucers' Spotted in Photographs of Solar Eclipse

Oslo, Norway—(UP)—A famed cameraman said today pictures he took during the solar eclipse last week showed "shiny white objects like flying saucers."

Photographer Johnny Bjornulf said "it was especially interesting to find the objects" since they nearly coincided in time with the observation of six "flying saucers" from a BOAC plane off Labrador."

The cameraman discovered the shiny objects while showing a color movie of the eclipse in London last Monday. He flew back to Norway and examined still pictures he took at the same time and saw the same objects.

Bjornulf took the pictures aboard a Scandinavian airlines plane at 13,500 feet. He said he had no idea the objects were on the film until he saw the movie in London.

"My personal opinion is that the shining white spots on the pictures are some reflex phenomena, although I am quite sure that it is not due to any reflection in the camera lens."

He ruled out lens reflection because the objects appeared on film taken by two different cameras.

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Oslo, 8 juillet. — Le journal « Aftenposten » annonce que des « soucoupes volantes » ont été filmées d'avion par un Norvégien le 30 juin, lors de l'éclipse totale du soleil, alors que l'aviateur se trouvait à environ 13 kilomètres à l'ouest d'Oslo.

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Adventure and Romance Touch Stewardess

By KENNETH G. JOHNSTON,
Staff Writer.

Take it from one who knows, an airline stewardess goes places and sees things. There's stiletto-ding in the Caribbean's gorgeous Montego Bay, skiing in Montreal, the theater in London, opera in Rome, safaris in Africa — and flying saucers where flying saucers are said to be.

A dark-haired, dark-eyed English lassie, Daphne Webster has been having the fun and thrills "and the hard work, too," for three years on the luxury flights of British Overseas Airways Corp.

But about the saucers:

"We were over the ocean, 20,000 feet up and about an hour short of a refueling stop at Goose Bay, Labrador, on a flight from New York to London when we spotted them."

It was late on a summer day last year, cloudless with the sunlight still strong.

"They kept pace with us for almost a half hour, the big one changing shape, sometimes like a cigar, sometimes like a disturbing plane," she reports. "The little ones kept changing position, flying three above and three below the mother ship, or three in front and three behind."

The captain radioed the weird news ahead to Goose Bay and was promptly told that while his big Boeing Stratocruiser showed on the radar there, the saucers didn't. But two American jet fighters were sent up to investigate.

"The jets radioed us they were closing in from about 30 miles away," said Daphne, "immediately, the six little ones merged into the big one and the whole thing got smaller and smaller—maybe it was going away very fast—until it disappeared."

And that was that.

A Little of Everywhere.

There are no doubts, though, about other things Daphne has seen or done in her travels, or about the furnishings she and Elizabeth McGarry, another BOAC stewardess, have picked up in far corners of the world for the four-room flat they share in London.

They've got loops from Tabriz, neat tables from Karachi, Chinese carpets from Hong Kong, a sheepskin rug from Iceland, candlewick bedspreads from New York, shell ash trays from Bermuda, and knick-knacks from Calcutta and a [illegible] ports of call.

"Like a couple of [illegible] isn't we?" Daphne [illegible] they are [illegible] and home [illegible] everything [illegible]

Where there's adventure there's BOAC—and there's pretty Daphne Webster, a stewardess who's been places and seen things.
Pictorial Alliance.

Note: BOAC sighting was over land *150 mi. SW of Goose Bay* is NOT over the ocean.

CREW SURE IT SAW SOMETHING

AF probes mystery spooks that tailed Atlantic airliner

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'Flying Jellyfish' Tailed Plane, Crewmen Report

By the Associated Press.

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Saucers Flying Again

London (AP)—A British transatlantic airliner reported seeing the plane today reported seeing "mysterious objects" over the Atlantic southwest of Goose Bay, Labrador.

The pilot said he was flying at 19,000 feet at 200 miles an hour when he saw the objects. One was very large and circular, and the other six were smaller.

"They were not less than five miles away," he added.

He radioed Goose Bay and a U. S. jet fighter took off to intercept. As the jet approached the British plane the objects disappeared.

Mystery Objects Follow Air Liner

London, July 30 (AP)—A British Overseas Airways Corp. pilot said tonight a large object and six smaller ones accompanied his Stratocruiser for eight miles today as it crossed the Atlantic headed for London.

Capt. P. H. Howard, a veteran of 250 Atlantic crossings, said the objects resembled "a large burst of fire and six smaller globes." All but one of his crew and many of the plane's passengers saw the objects, Capt. Howard said.

He said the incident occurred at midnight (7 p. m. E. D. T.) yesterday 150 miles southwest of Labrador. An American jet took off from Goose Bay, Labrador, to intercept the objects, he said, but they "faded" as the jet approached.

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Followed Over Sea 80 Miles:

7 Weird Objects Trail Airliner

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Mirage Called Possible Answer On Objects Seen by Flyers

By John A. Giles

Two separate reports received at the Pentagon today mentioned the possibility of a mirage as an answer to the seven weird black objects which reportedly followed a British airliner for 80 miles Thursday night near Goose Bay, Labrador.

The reports came from the Navy icebreaker Edisto in Ungava Bay, which is north of the Canadian province of Quebec, and from the Northeast Air Command with headquarters at Pepperell Air Force Base, Newfoundland.

The Edisto reported sighting an object which was first identified as the planet Mars.

"It appeared to change shape like a jellyfish, swimming to the westward," the report stated. "It also appeared as a dart at times. No satellites seen.

"Mirage effect had been pronounced during day."

The Northeast Air Command evaluated the sighting "as an unknown natural phenomena, possibly a mirage as temperature inversion in area made this possible.

"When air coming in over a cool area causes what is known as temperature inversion. Temperature inversion in the atmosphere can cause an image to be reflected at a point far removed from its actual position.

Capt. James Howard, pilot of a British Overseas Airways Corp. airliner said the objects vanished when an American Air Force fighter plane came up to investigate. Some of the passengers also reported seeing the objects 19,000 feet over the Atlantic.

Capt. Howard said the objects reminded him of flak bursts and that they moved along a track roughly parallel with his plane and kept station with it. The large object changed shape, he continued.

"It was always about 90 degrees to port," he reported. "The distance from us appeared not less than five miles, possibly very much more.

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"I jokingly said they reminded me of flak bursts. He agreed. It then became apparent they were moving along on a track roughly parallel to ours and keeping station with us."

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Small Spots Follow

"A number of small objects accompanying it, usually six, were visible. All were agreed they never saw anything like it before. At about 0120 GMT the fighter reported that he was approaching us. The objects immediately began to grow indistinct until one only was visible. This grew smaller and finally vanished at 0123 GMT, still at the same bearing from us.

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Scaring Off the Saucers

The latest "flying saucer" report is encouraging. Capt. James Howard, pilot of a British airliner, and several members of his crew watched a large dark object and several smaller ones pace his plane for 80 miles at an altitude of 19,000 feet near Goose Bay, Labrador. Then the blobs vanished, just as an American fighter plane, summoned by Howard, approached.

Our earthly enemies keen showing, apparently not overly frightened by our might, it should buck us up, therefore, to learn that one of our fighter planes can cause interlopers from space to disappear without firing a shot. Defense against the little men in the saucers, if indeed they are unfriendly, should cost a lot less than the big sums we're now spending to get ready for possible Communist aggression. Won't have to buy ammunition.

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...aptain Howard added that an... ...r company's aircraft had gone ...same way about 25 minutes ...ier but had seen nothing.

The release of this sensational ...ort sent London reporters hur... ...rying for interviews with the Cap... ...tain and crew. The passengers apparently had dispersed by the time the Press arrived as no state... ...ments from them are recorded.

A *News Chronicle* reporter who ...interviewed Captain Howard at his home in Bristol quotes him ...as saying, "The formation of ob...

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...st Officer Lee Boyd, another ...er wartime squadron leader ...living at Bristol, was quoted ... *Daily Express* reporter: "It ...as the greatest thrill of my life. ...am willing to swear that what ...e saw was something solid, ...something maneuverable, and ...something that was being con...trolled intelligently."

The same newspaper quoted the 31-year-old navigator George Allen: "I am absolutely convinced that the objects we saw were a ...ase ship of some kind with a ...umber of satellites linked with ..."

Meanwhile, the *Daily Sketch* approached the subject from a more feminine angle and quoted the 28-year-old air hostess Daphne Webster of Hounslow, Middlesex. "It was the most exciting sight I've ever seen," she said, "but a little creepy. I was making tea when I saw the objects. The big ... was constantly changing its

cigar, then an orange, then a mushroom. The smaller ones kept changing formation but not their shape. Every one of us was far too intrigued to be afraid." The *Daily Mail* added an additional statement of Miss Webster's: "The objects appeared to be not less than five miles away. It was difficult to assess their size because there was nothing in the sky at the time to measure them against. We are quite certain that the machines were in flight and were something solid."

The best news coverage of the day was reserved for the Bristol *Evening Post* whose reporter found the pilot, first officer and navigator more expansive when relaxed in their homes than they had been facing the battery of newspapermen at London airport. Under a banner heading of FLYING OBJECTS "AS BIG AS A BLOCK OF FLATS" the *Evening Post* quotes Captain Howard, "They were definitely not ordinary aircraft of any type—or imagination. I've never seen anything which remotely resembled them before. They were *not* saucers—they never looked disc shaped or flat. The size was impossible to estimate because we didn't know how far away they were. If they were 20 miles away the big object must have been the size of a block of flats; if five miles

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the small ones were about the size of the tugs towing her out of harbor. The small ones were no more than bright dots—I couldn't distinguish any shape. They flew sometimes ahead or behind the large one, but never above or below." Discussing his radio call to Goose Bay and the dispatch of a *Sabre* jet fighter, Captain Howard continued, "The fighter was closing in within a minute or two. He signalled, 'I am now 20 miles from you. What do they look like now?' And in that moment I suddenly found I couldn't see the small ones and the large one was beginning to get smaller. Within two or three minutes it had diminished and finally was just a speck, and then it was gone. It didn't go forward or back, just got smaller until it disappeared."

Captain Howard went on to say that it was possible the object was flying directly away from him at great speed and that the changing shape may have been caused as it banked or turned, but at no time did it do anything suddenly. "I have never believed seriously in flying saucers," he concluded, "I am not sure that I do now. All I know is that I saw something extremely odd which was not an airplane."

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ligence officer after they landed at London Airport. Quoted by the *Daily Sketch* the Captain said: "The RAF are obviously very interested. No one took pictures—I wish now I had had my camera. But we all saw the same."

On the same day the *Daily Express*, noted for its many discerning scientific articles, published a three-column article by its Science Reporter under the banner FLYING SAUCERS—NO SAYS CHAPMAN PINCHER. Mr. Pincher's theory is that the "flying saucers" seen by the crew of the *Centaurus* were nothing more than a reflection of the aircraft itself from a wavy layer of air. "Could a layer of air in which there was no cloud act as a mirror in this way?" he writes. He thinks that it could, especially as the Stratocruiser is an exceptionally shiny plane.

"At various levels in the atmosphere," his article goes on, "there are regions called 'inversions' where the air temperature changes. Boundaries between layers of warm and cold air are such good mirrors that they cause mirages in the desert. Because of the turbulence of the atmosphere, the boundary is sometimes rippled and breaks up an image into several parts which, after reflection, can be seen at eye-level.

"If my theory is right, the saucers could have been seen only

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in the direction of the sun's rays through the port-side windows of the aircraft which was travelling northeast while the sun was setting in the northwest."

Chapman Pincher discussed his theory with Captain Howard who knows all about 'inversions.' The latter agreed that it was a possibility but thought "that the saucers looked too solid."

Discussing the fact that the objects followed the plane for 80 miles and then disappeared just as a fighter was coming up to investigate, Mr. Pincher states, "Inversions sometimes stretch for hundreds of miles so the reflection would seem to travel with the plane. The disappearance of the saucers may have been due to a change of light—remember the sun was setting—or the 'inversion' may have petered out."

Despite Chapman Pincher's discussion of his theory with Captain Howard, the pilot strongly disagreed with the former's article—so much so that on July 5 a letter headed I CHALLENGE PINCHER was featured on the center page of the *Daily Express* and signed by the pilot who started it all. The Captain's letter says: "I am the pilot concerned in the recent sighting of sky objects over Labrador, and I challenge Mr. Chapman Pincher's explanation that this could have been merely the reflection

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distant objects [redacted] the way illustrated by Mr. Pincher. Had an inversion existed above us at the time (highly unlikely with the high temperature), we *might* have seen a reflection of the sunset, nothing more; certainly not six small black dots and one large variable shaped thing.

"Was it a *shadow* that we saw? Plausible, maybe, but shadows are thrown *away* from the light source, not towards it."

In the three sketches made by Captain Howard at the time of the sighting it will be noticed that the objects appear between the plane and the setting sun but not directly in opposition. The sun had actually disappeared below the horizon before the objects vanished.

July 2, 1952: Airliner pilot of British plane sees in English Channel a strange object like a grain white plane, floating on sea. Airplanes and warships rush to scene, but the mystery object has vanished.

popular Saturday night radio and TV program "In Town Tonight," Captain Howard said: "At first my co-pilot, Lee Boyd—a Canadian of immense experience as a pilot—and I thought the big machine might be a delta or swept-wing bomber, but it changed shape several times. I'm quite sure that it was a three-dimensional object and not a mirage, flying aircraft.

All ing to believe is what I saw and what my crew saw. Whether these objects were piloted craft or what they were I cannot speculate."

BOAC's London Press Relations office were extremely co-operative in my investigations of this mysterious sighting. One of their officers, however, pointed out to me that "never at any time have we called the things 'saucers' —we prefer the word 'objects' or 'unidentified flying objects'. Everyone has been most intrigued by this phenomena but we know nothing further about it than what you have already been told." This statement is verified by the fact that there are no rumors among the staff and personnel of No. 1 Line Operations Office at London Airport, the section responsible for the flight of the *Centaurus*.

Scientist Arthur C. Clarke, author of "The Exploration Of Space" (Harper 1952), who has been investigating a number of US sightings this year, flew over a parallel course to that of the *Centaurus* only 10 hours after the objects were seen. This was purely coincidental as he was on his way to Hudson Bay from New York to photograph the eclipse of the sun.

Interviewed on his return to

finest sightings ever recorded from the viewpoint of the authenticity of the witnesses. However, the objects were obviously not solid bodies and there are so many various types of mirages that speculation is fruitless. If the true explanation of this sighting could be established it would probably clear up much of the 'flying saucer' mystery." He went on to explain that many of the eclipse photographs he took were "cluttered up with 'flying saucers' due to multiple light refraction in the camera lenses"—an obvious explanation of many of the so-called authenticated photographs of 'saucers.'

Capt. James Howard records the story of his unusual UFO sighting for a British Broadcasting Co. representative as his wife looks on. Capt. Howard was in command of the BOAC airliner from which sighting was made.

TID-BITS

Reports of flying saucers still persist. The latest is a report from Capt. James Howard, pilot of a British Overseas Airways Corp. airliner flying from London to New York. He and his crew and several passengers noticed, when flying at an altitude of [illegible] feet above the Atlantic, objects moving parallel to the [illegible] and [illegible] from them appeared as dots. [illegible] which moved ahead and others remained astern. Capt. Howard was informed from Goose Bay that there were no aircraft in the area and that they would send a fighter to investigate. When the American Air Force fighter came up, the objects immediately vanished.

Meanwhile Desmond Leslie, a 33 year old onetime RAF pilot, who recently arrived in New York from London, reported that the flying saucer craze is rampant in England and that three or four sightings occur weekly.

Will Not Discuss 'Flying Jellyfish'

LONDON (AP)—A spokesman for the British Air Ministry said today it chose to remain silent on its investigation into the July 1 report of a "flying jellyfish" in the skies off Labrador.

"This doesn't necessarily mean there's any element of mystery in the matter," the spokesman said. "We simply do not make statements of such inquiries except in very rare cases."

The pilot of a British Overseas Airways Stratocruiser reported seeing a dark, speeding object escorting his airliner near Gander. The big object which kept changing shape like a jellyfish was accompanied by a half dozen smaller satellites, crewmen said.

There has been newspaper speculation here that the objects were simply shadows of the plane's windows reflected against the clouds, but the experienced pilot doubted this explanation.

The Air Ministry pointed out, though, that when a flying saucer was reported over London recently, "we were able to identify it immediately as a balloon and so we announced the identi-

[illegible] AUGUST 15, 1954

Letter 1/7/55 Ruppelt to T. Bloecher:

"As far as the other three sightings you mentioned are concerned, I don't believe that I should comment on them since the data are not released."

(One of these 3 was the BOAC sighting.)

July 7, 1954: Airliner pilot of British plane sees in English Channel a strange object like a plain white plane, floating on air. All planes and warships rush to area, but the mystery object has vanished.

Then, on the evening of June 30, the censors were startled by a cabled report from London. The story was immediately headlined from coast to coast.

At 5:00 P.M., the previous day, the British airliner *Centaurus* had left New York's Idlewild Airport for a scheduled flight to London. Operated by the BOAC (British Overseas Airways Corporation), this was a luxury plane, a double-decked Stratocruiser equipped with berths and a cocktail lounge. In command of this million-dollar ship was Captain James Howard, a quiet, competent pilot, 33 years old. During the war Captain Howard had been a bomber pilot of the Royal Air Force. As a BOAC pilot he had crossed the Atlantic 265 times.

Under Howard's command was a crew of 11, all veterans of the Atlantic "champagne and caviar" run.

Flying at 19,000 feet, the *Centaurus* crossed the St. Lawrence River, cruising at 270 miles an hour. In 45 minutes it was due to land at Goose Bay Air Force Base in Labrador to refuel for the ocean crossing.

As Captain Howard was checking his arrival time, a dark object appeared a few miles to the left. Flying parallel to the plane, it was clearly visible in the light from the setting sun. Maneuvering around this mysterious craft were several small, round objects. For a few moments Captain Howard and his copilot, First Officer Lee Boyd, watched in amazement. Until then Howard had been skeptical of flying-saucer reports, and Boyd had been only half convinced.

The smaller saucers appeared to be flying in and out of the larger ship, though the pilots could not be sure.

Suddenly the mother ship changed its position, making it appear to change shape, just as an airplane, seen from different angles, assumes varying shapes.

Both Captain Howard and Boyd were convinced that the objects were solid. And from the way the six small UFO's maneuvered, circling and apparently boarding the mother ship, they were obviously under intelligent control.

Calling Goose Bay Air Force Base, Boyd reported the strange formation. Within seconds two U. S. Sabrejet fighters were scrambled to meet the *Centaurus*.

By now all the crew and some of the passengers had seen the saucer formation. Had this been a cargo flight, Captain Howard might have risked a closer approach. But with the lives of the crew and 51 passengers to consider, he decided against it.

The mother ship and its smaller saucers were still flying parallel to the *Centaurus* when one of the Sabrejet pilots radioed the airliner from a point 20 miles away. The saucers, Captain Howard told him, were still pacing his plane.

"I'll be there in two or three minutes," the Air Force pilot answered.

Then a strange thing occurred.

Quickly the six smaller craft merged with the mother ship. Accelerating at tremendous speed, the larger machine vanished in a matter of seconds.

Captain Howard and the first officer stared at each other. For over 15 minutes the formation had kept pace with the *Centaurus*, probably watching it with high-powered instruments. It could hardly be a coincidence that the six UFO's had hastily boarded the mother ship and fled at the precise moment when the Sabrejets approached. Either their instruments had picked up the oncoming jets or they had heard the radio reports.

When the Stratocruiser landed at Goose Bay, U. S. Air Force Intelligence officers questioned the crew. By midnight, after the delayed airliner took off, a secret report had been flashed to the States.

The first flash reached the Pentagon just before midnight. By morning the full story was known by all the top UFO censors, the National Security Council, and the Central Intelligence Agency. What they had feared most—a significant encounter by veteran pilots—had finally occurred. This could be the spark that would set off the explosion. Did they dare ask the British Air Ministry to silence the crew? The British would undoubtedly resent such a move. It was better not to risk it, and simply hope the Air Ministry would see the need for secrecy.

The day passed with no word. For a while the silence group breathed easier. Then the UP story broke.

Late that afternoon Bob Stirling called.

"Don, I've got a terrific saucer dispatch."

In his first brief report Captain Howard had given few details, but the main facts stood out: The *Centaurus* had been followed for 80 miles by a mother ship and six smaller saucers, and the formation had fled when interceptors approached.

Stirling had barely hung up when Frank Edwards phoned. He had just seen the story on a UP ticker.

"I got the Pentagon," he said. "The PIO's said they had absolutely no word on it."

"They're covering up," I said. "You can see why. This thing could wreck the blackout."

That night Frank and other newscasters featured the first

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BOAC story. Next morning it was headlined throughout the United States.

The UFO censors had one small ray of comfort. There had been no link with Mars, and none of the crew had called the UFO's space ships. If nothing more came out, the story might die overnight. But a new story from London rapidly killed that hope.

Instead of silencing the crew, the British Air Ministry admitted it was making a serious investigation. All 11 members of the crew had signed a report agreeing on the details. Twelve passengers also had confirmed the sighting—the others had been either in their berths or cocktail lounge during the hour of the excitement.

Captain Howard was unwilling to speculate about the weird machines, but the statement released by the Air Ministry showed clearly what he believed.

"They flashed into sight suddenly and they were obviously not aircraft," Captain Howard had said. "I could swear they were solid. For 80 miles they flew parallel to the Stratocruiser. It was one large central object, and six smaller objects maneuvering about it. At first it seemed shaped like a jellyfish. Then it appeared the shape of a dart."

Within hours of Howard's statement, First Officer Boyd publicly stated the objects were undoubtedly space ships. Like his captain, Boyd had a distinguished record. During the war he had been a squadron leader in the famous Pathfinder Force, and he held the Distinguished Flying Cross and bars. He also was a veteran of the transatlantic run.

"What we saw was solid, maneuverable, and intelligently controlled," Boyd told the newsmen. "We had a long time to watch them. It was hard to judge accurately, but I believe the big ship was about twice the size of an average house, and the smaller ones the size of our Stratocruiser."

In the same press story Navigator George Allen backed Boyd's story: "I am absolutely convinced that the objects we saw were a base ship with a number of satellites."

Other crew members—Douglas Scott, radio officer; Daniel Godfrey and William Stewart, engineer officers; and Stewardess Daphne Webster—gave identical reports about the weird formation.

In a significant footnote one paper, *The Daily Express*, had added:

"Mars is closer to the earth this week than at any time since 1939."

The BOAC story had to be spiked, and quickly. But how to do it? The ridicule trick was out—these pilots and the crew were too experienced to be labeled fools. The hint that they were deluded would anger millions of British people, and the Air Ministry might even release a full report.

At noon the UFO censors were still in a frenzy of uncertainty, stalling the press with "no comment." There was one possible out—call the space ships a mirage. It had worked before, but never against such highly competent observers.

Next day, quoting a message from the Navy ice-breaker *Edisto*, the Pentagon stated the *Edisto's* officers had seen the same "mirage" at Ungava Bay, Canada, hundreds of miles from the BOAC encounter. In wording, the *Edisto* description was almost identical with Captain Howard's report to Intelligence:

"The object appeared to change shape like a jellyfish swimming to the westward. It also appeared as a dart at times." SEEN ON JUNE 29, 1954

Based on this report, another statement was released by the Northeast Air Defense Command:

"The sighting has been evaluated as an unknown natural phenomenon, possibly a mirage."

To anyone who knew the facts this answer would seem fantastic.

That the men on the *Edisto*, miles away, should have seen an identical formation at almost the same time as the BOAC crew, was incredible enough in itself. That their report should have been worded exactly like Captain Howard's seemed almost beyond belief.

Since the *Edisto* could not be reached by the press, no close questioning was possible.

But weeks later Captain Howard quietly punctured this convenient answer.

"At 19,000 feet, a mirage of what? Our own aircraft? No. That would be a reflected shadow. The shadow must fall *on* something to be visible, and there was nothing. The light from the setting sun could not possibly throw a shadow *toward* itself."

Captain Howard disclosed his opinion in the London *Sunday Dispatch*. In an article called "We Were Shadowed from Outer Space" he said there was only one explanation:

"It must have been some weird form of space ship from another world. If so, then another world was watching the *Centaurus* that night in June—watching, waiting maybe, for what? One day we shall know, and that day, I am sure, will be pretty important for the human race. I hope I am here to see it."

● **Over Canberra**

Robert Weatherhead, an Air Force trainee photographer of Victoria, saw a "flying cigar" on July 4, 1954, at 9 p.m. He was not able to photograph it, but offered a sketch which shows a wingless rocket with an exhaust. In spite of his experience with all types of aircraft, Weatherhead failed to identify the strange craft.

Weatherhead's sighting was supported by an appearance of a similar object over Canberra on the same night. Two councillors of the Australian Commonwealth Territory —

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Burnett and Kerr, said the object was definitely controlled. Mr. Burnett even estimated the size of the "flying cigar" at about the size of a car. It was flying at the extremely low altitude of 500 feet and at fantastic speed with no roar. Meteorological and aviation officials confirmed that there were no planes or balloons in the air at the time.

BERLIN, July 3, 1954 (INS)— Three hundred West Berliners were reported today to have seen three trinagular-shaped flying saucers on several occasions during the past few weeks.

Rudolf Hermes, a director of Tempelhof Airport in Berlin, said all the witnesses described the objects as shiny. He said they calimed the "saucers" seemed to pull away [illegible]eed and in a zig-zag motion.

[illegible]aid American and British officials have begun an investigation

L'Illustré (Lausanne) Oct-7,1954

« Par un après-midi de juillet »,

raconte le pasteur Siegfried Joss, de Seeberg, l'étais allé pêcher sur la rive sud du lac de Burgaesch. Le temps était splendide et le ciel sans nuages. Il était peut-être quatre heures et demie lorsque je fus brusquement ébloui par une clarté aveuglante. Levant les yeux au ciel, quel ne fut pas mon saisissement d'apercevoir un objet circulaire d'apparence métallique, plus gros que le soleil et d'une immobilité absolue. Cette apparition était si surprenante et inexplicable que je crus sur le premier moment être la victime de quelque illusion d'optique. Mais je me ressaisis immédiatement et me pinçai la joue, pour me répéter — en vain! — d'ailleurs: — les baigneurs qui, sur l'autre rive, à quelque 600 mètres de là, prenaient leurs ébats. Quinze ou vingt secondes plus tard, l'étrange objet se mettait brusquement en mouvement et disparaissait vers le nord à une vitesse sensiblement plus grande qu'un avion, dans un silence total et sans laisser de traînée de condensation. »

« A onze heures de la nuit »,

nous rapporte M. Fritz Schwab-Eggenschwiler, qui habitait d'Arch près de Buren sur l'Aar, « je priai ma femme de téléphoner au professeur Max Scheurer de Berne pour lui faire part des étranges observations que j'avais faites avec différentes autres personnes entre 22 h. 20 et 23 h. 30. Je rentrais chez moi lorsque mon attention fut attirée par un groupe de personnes qui observaient de milieu de la rue quatre étranges apparitions situées au sud et au nord de la localité. L'objet qui nous parut être le plus proche et le plus grand se trouvait au-dessus du lac et, observé à la jumelle, il présentait une forme d'un anneau de couleur de la grandeur d'un mètre et demi à deux mètres, de couleur blanche tirant vers crème avec un pourtour rouge brique. A l'intérieur même de l'anneau, nous pûmes discerner d'étranges reflets d'où s'échappaient des jeux changeants de couleur et passant du rouge au vert au violet et au blanc. »

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LONDON, July 7, 1954 (Reuters)— London had a flying saucer scare today when thousands of people stopped in the streets to watch a mysterious pear-shaped silver object floating high over the city.

Telephone lines were jammed with excited calls.

Then came the official explanation: It was a 60-foot gas balloon released by scientists for cosmic radiation research. It carried photographic plates and was expected eventually to reach a height of 100,000 feet, before a timing apparatus drops the scientific equipment by parachute.

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London's 'Flying Saucer' Just a Research Balloon

Special to The New York Times.

LONDON, July 7—The first "flying saucer" of the season fascinated Londoners during their lunch hour today. Thousands craned their necks on sidewalks and from windows and rooftops.

Telephone inquiries clogged switchboards at the Air Ministry, the Meteorological Office, the police stations and newspapers. A professor of nuclear physics explained the phenomenon.

It was a pear-shaped balloon, 200 feet long and sixty feet in diameter, that Bristol University scientists had released in Bedfordshire, Prof. R. C. Powell said. It was fitted with photographic equipment and plates for cosmic radiation research at between 70,000 and 100,000 feet.

Dr. Powell said that the equipment and plates would be parachuted to earth after six and one-half hours and would be studied by physics laboratories in Britain, Norway, Denmark and possibly Japan.

From JUL 5 1954

POST

Washington, D. C.

'Glowing Discs' Reported

Reuters

BERLIN, July 4.—About 300 widely dispersed, independent observers have recently reported seeing "glowing discs" flying fast in formation and doing turns over Berlin, the West Berlin Kurier newspaper said.

From JUL 11 1954

POST

Washington, D. C.

'Saucers' and 'Cigars' Flying Over Finland

Reuters

HELSINKI, Finland, July 10. [illegible] objects described by eyewitnesses as "flying saucers" and "flying cigars" [illegible] in southern Finland [illegible] last night.

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'Flying Saucer' Just a Balloon, Gawkers in London Learn

London, July 7 (AP)—A s[illegible] very "thing" floated across Lon[illegible] don's sky this noon and turned the lunch hour for the tens of thousands on the streets into a time of high adventure. It turned out to be just a balloon.

For more than an hour people [illegible] told each other—in tones of hal[illegible] belief—they had seen a flying saucer. Then came the explana[illegible] tion. Bristol University an[illegible] nounced it had released a larg[illegible] balloon in connection with [illegible] cosmic radiation research projec[illegible]

NY Post

I showed him a recent press wire story from Garsson, Canada. On July 7 a Canadian miner had reported encountering a monstrous space man, 13 feet tall, with six arms and strange burning eyes. According to the miner, the hypnotic effect caused him to faint. When he recovered, the saucer and the space man had disappeared.

Stone snorted. "Why do newspapers print stories like that and yet shy off from serious UFO reports?"

"Most papers honestly believe the Air Force releases. Since they don't think anything is being hidden, it's easy to fall in with the 'ridicule policy.'"

"But the cover-up is so obvious now," protested Stone.

"To you, yes, and to anyone who has really investigated. That goes for a few papers too—some of them have gotten suspicious."

"There's one thing about this Garsson story," Stone observed. "Notice it says a Royal Canadian Air Force officer checked on it. Here is what he says: 'It did not conform as it should with what we know.'"

Stone pointed to the next line. "It says here that when reporters asked what he knew, the officer said that it was classified and he couldn't talk about it."

"That sounds as though the RCAF knows what the saucer people look like."

"If they are people," Stone said soberly. "I just can't believe evolution on another planet would produce beings exactly like us."

The Garsson space-man story, printed all over the United States, gave the UFO censors a brief breathing spell. Then, apparently by coincidence, another news story appeared which mocked at saucer believers. The article stated that a flying-saucer project at Ohio Northern University had been closed for lack of UFO reports, "with the saucer business coming to an ignominious end like a car running out of gas." What it failed to explain was that the project closed because the United States Air Force refused to release its hundreds of hidden reports.

"July 3, 1954: Three hundred people have seen small glowing discs flying very fast and high over Berlin, Germany, always between 10 and 11 p.m., from May 15 to July 3. Usually three fast discs. U. S. experts have prepared a questionnaire for sighters of these saucers.

HELSINKI, July 10, 1954 (Reuters)— Luminous objects described by eye-witnesses as "flying saucers" and "flying cigars" were seen in southeast Finland late last night.

In Imatra several people said they saw a "cigar-shaped rocket" flying from a westerly direction. They said it left a streak of fire behind it. In Saint Michel a green luminous object was observed which some said had the size and form of a mormal plate. One person said he saw a brilliant blue-green ball which seemed to have a kind of tail. Similar reports came from other places.

An official at Helsinki Airport said fragments of an exploded meteor could have given rise to such reports.

On July 16, 1954, the newspaper La Prensa of Lima published a story from its correspondent in Piura, according to which a flying saucer had landed during the night in the Huaca desert 60 kilometers from the city of Piura, and had then taken off again. The phenomenon lasted ten minutes. It was seen by a bus driver and the passengers of the bus. The object was also seen from nearby places.

Southwest Austria, July 30?, 1954 AI-F-

Vienna, July 31 (Reuters)-- An unidentified object which hundreds of persons in southwest Austria thought was a flying saucer was probably a large meteor, Graz University astronomers said today. Observers said it looked like a huge ball of fire with a greenish ~~tail~~ trail of sparks rushing north at great speed.

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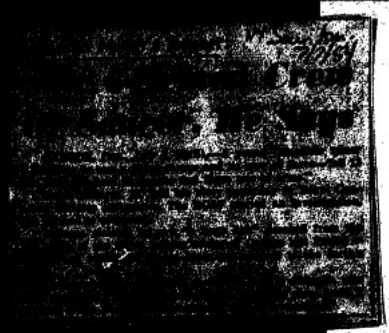

(about) July 5 or 6, 1954 - Also reported in Nexus, Aug 1954

Canadian miner reports landing of saucer; men came out "13 feet tall with spikes coming out of their ears."

Helen Buss' friend Grace Tabor states, in letter of July 7, 1954, to HB, that the report she heard said the miner described "3 men, with 3 arms, enormously tall, with pointed ears."

GT also heard an NBC broadcast saying that another man who was at the same spot later saw a large area singed or scorched, with a whitish deposit covering it.

GT also reports "earthquake" in Nyack 7/3 or 7/4 - but "not like a regular earthquake." No other details.

BILD Zeitung, Hamburg, Germany, 7 August 1954

Flying Saucers Over Darmstadt ?

FFM-Darmstadt, 7 August. Mysterious objects circled Friday night in the sky over Darmstadt. "Flying Saucers?" Uncounted pairs of eyes watched the unknown flying machines between 9:45 and 11:15 P.M.

Eugen Nerm, officer on duty at Darmstadt police headquarters told BILD: "In the yard of headquarters I saw many of my fellow-officers look intently at the sky. Three fiery, yellow-red objects circled there at about 6,000 meters altitude. No motor noise could be heard. We felt as if watching an aerial battle."

Lorenz Schneider, on duty on the Bismarck Tower, relates: "All three flying objects were easily recognizable, like airplanes. But they changed their directions so suddenly as no known type of aircraft can."

Since May 1953 this is the tenth time that saucers were sighted over Darmstadt. Twenty four hours earlier, saucers were observed from Schleswig, North Germany. Earlier in the week unknown flying objects were seen at Lippstadt and Lübbecke, Westphalia.

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DER PATRICT, Lippstadt, Germany, 6 August 1954

"Saucers" Over Westphalia ?

Bielefeld, 5 August.(inw) Several persons observed over the Wiehen mountains near Lübbecke three bright discs of orange-red colour in the night sky, flying quickly from the East to the West. As eye witnesses reported on Wednesday (4 Aug.) the puzzleing objects were clearly visible.

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L'Illustration, Lausanne, Switzerland, Oct 7, 1954 5.

"A pale blue object the size of a football".. "I remember that I was quite annoyed when my daughter came and woke me up on August 30 (1954 ?) at 10:40 at night to tell me, shaking with excitement (trembling with emotion) that she had seen mysterious objects in the sky," said Ernest Schneidegger-Siegenthaler, of Arch. "But when I went to the window, I saw, to my profound astonishment, toward the south-west and at a high altitude, a pale blue object about the size of a football, which was moving in completely horizontal flight from east to west at a prodigious speed. I could follow it for about 10 seconds. This object, like the lens of a watch, made no noise whatever, and continued its flight (which was) without any deviation until it left my field of vision. I categorically reject the idea that it could have been a meteor, because astronomy is my hobby (? - mon violon d'Ingres) and I think I know how to recognize celestial phenomena."

"A solid object, of a circular shape" - "I was in a position to observe, on August 18, (1954 ?), between Pisoccland Calanda, at a distance of that I estimated as a few tens of kilometers, at a great altitude, a solid object of a circular shape," reports Mr. Andreas Bruesch, director of a trust company (agence fiduciaire) at Coire. "For about 15 minutes this object, of a metallic appearance and with a clear brilliant color, remained absolutely motionless in the field of my binoculars. This astonishing (apparition) was especially striking because the day was so clear that one could perceive the stars in the sky. After (beginning with(?) (this avoir amorcé") a spiral movement, the object disappeared suddenly in a northwestern direction. The idea that it could have been an atmospheric phenomenon is indefensible, because the object had edges that were absolutely clear and sharp, and its round shape could be seen perfectly with the naked eye."

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But here is a more serious fact. The incident occurred at Zurich, August 7 last, at 16 h. 15 (4:15) and the observation was made by a first lieutenant of the Swiss air forces. The newspaper Die Tat of Zurich published the report that this officer made to his superiors. Let us summarize it. While he was looking out of the window of his apartment on Schaffhouse place, watching the manoeuvres of some sport planes over the city, he suddenly noticed "a dull (lit. sombre) disk, the size of a centime, which seemed to be under the cloud ceiling."

"I thought at first that it was a child's balloon," he added. "But strangely, this disc, unlike a balloon, was not being moved by the wind. I grabbed my field-glasses and studied the object."

The soldier saw that it had the shape of a saucer upside-down; the thickness was about one-sixth of the diameter. A large round crown surrounded a circular surface, whose diameter was about half the diameter of the object. (On distinguait une large couronne ronde entourant une surface circulaire, dont le diamètre représentait la moitié du diamètre de l'objet.) The color of the (couronne) changed constantly, from a silvery tint to rose, then to blue. The color changed to red and the outlines of the object became uncertain and incandescent. Dark brown smoke appeared (se dégageait) behind the object and dissolved in the air.

"The size of the object was certainly not more than 15 meters," the 1st lieutenant nonetheless finished.

This sighting was confirmed. The same evening, about 10:30, two brothers saw, over the airport of Kloten, a very brilliant object which rose vertically, changed from whitish-yellow to red, became white again and disappeared. It returned a few minutes later, at extraordinary speed, and disappeared for good.

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By the United Press.

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"Les soucoupes volantes viennent-ils
d'un autre monde?")

> Nous en sommes à ce point de la controverse sur l'origine des soucoupes volantes. En attendant que la lumière soit faite, celles-ci continuent plus que jamais à se manifester dans tous les cieux. Le 19 juillet, les habitants de l'île de Zylt, dans la mer du Nord, ont été émus par l'apparition d'une soucoupe qui passa au-dessus de leurs maisons. Elle ressemblait à un disque rougeoyant, traînant derrière lui une queue de comète et se déplaçant comme une flèche en direction du nord-est. Le 26 juillet, deux « objets volants » ont été aperçus dans un rayon de 10 [illegible] à la frontière tchécoslovaque. Le 4 août, deux hommes ont aperçu au-dessus de Pukkila, dans le centre de la Finlande, un objet volant de forme ovale, de couleur grise, aux flancs lumineux, filant à très grande vitesse en direction du sud. Le 10 août, enfin, des soucoupes volantes ont survolé Ottawa, au Canada.
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> Et maintenant, essayons de chercher un peu de vérité sur notre Terre !
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> *(A suivre.)* Charles REBER.

...Flying saucers continue to manifest themselves in all skies more frequently than ever before.

On July 19, the residents of the island of Sylt in the North Sea were excited by the appearance of a saucer passing above their houses. It resembled a "red disc, with a tail like a comet, moving like an arrow in a northeasterly direction."

On July 26, two "flying objects" were reported just above the "iron curtain", at the German-Czech frontier.

On August 4, at Pukkila in the center of Finland, two men saw a flying object of oval form, of grey colour, with luminous edges, zooming south at very great speed.

On August 10th, flying saucers flew over Ottawa, Canada.

--And now let us look for a little tryth on the Earth.

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The Hague Aug. 18, 1952 and "few days later"— Dan Visser, student of Schiedan Lyceum near Rotterdam, saw a mysterious object flying in the area, at first motionless, but soon disappeared at incredible speed. Aug. 18—while waiting for the sun to come out from behind the clouds to photograph his cat and dog, he again saw the same object. This time he kept his composure and succeeded in photographing it. The Dutch press today prints a clear snapshot of a very large black disk appearing

August 5, 1954: The *Bulawayo Chronicle* and the *Salisbury Sunday Mail* of Rhodesia, C. Africa, report six sightings of saucers, in and over Bulawayo, Salisbury, and Gatooma, Southern Rhodesia), and on August 8, 1954, the *Sunday Mail*, Salisbury, sighting and published a very clear photo of a saucer seen over Salisbury, Rhodesia. A Flying Saucer Club has been formed in Umtali.

Millsford Observer, Oct. 7, 1954

« Un objet solide, de forme circulaire. »

« J'ai eu la chance d'observer, de très près, entre Pinchal et Calanda, à une distance que j'évalue à quelques dizaines de kilomètres et à une grande altitude, un objet solide, de forme circulaire », précise M. Andreas Brunsch, directeur d'une agence fiduciaire de Caire. « Pendant une quinzaine de minutes environ, cet objet d'apparence métallique et de teinte claire et brillante demeura absolument immobile dans le champ de mes jumelles. Cette étonnante apparition me frappa d'autant plus que le jour était encore très clair pour que l'on puisse apercevoir des étoiles en plein midi. Après avoir amorcé un mouvement en spirale, l'objet disparut brusquement en direction du nord-ouest. L'idée qu'il se serait agi d'un phénomène atmosphérique est inadmissible, car l'objet en question avait des contours très nets et était parfaitement visible à l'œil nu. »

"A solid object, of a circular shape"— "I was in a position to observe, on August 18, (1954 ?), between Pinocke and Calanda, at a distance of what I estimated as a few tens of kilometers and at a great altitude, a solid object of a circular shape," reports Mr. Andreas Brussch, director of a trust company (agence fiduciaire) at Cairo. "For about 15 minutes this object, of a metallic appearance and with a clear brilliant color, remained absolutely motionless in the field of my binoculars. This astonishing (apparition) was especially striking because the day was so clear that one could perceive the stars in the sky. After (beginning with? - (après avoir amorcé) a spiral movement, the object disappeared suddenly in a northwestern direction. The idea that it could have been an atmospheric phenomenon is inadmissible, because the object had edges that were absolutely clear and sharp, and its round shape could be seen perfectly with the naked eye."

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LE DOSSIER D'UNE TROUBLANTE ENIGME

Apparition de soucoupes volantes dans le ciel européen

Cependant que nous tentions, dans notre dernier article de donner une conclusion logique et humaine à cette enquête, la chasse aux soucoupes volantes reprenait. C'est d'ailleurs un sujet estival, comme le fut autrefois et durant plus d'un siècle, le serpent de mer — avec cette différence que la soucoupe volante existe bel et bien. Mais cette année, il nous faut noter un fait nouveau, qui a son poids pour les Européens. Pendant sept ans, ce furent principalement les Américains qui eurent l'aubaine d'observer des soucoupes volantes. Cette fois, c'est l'Europe qui, depuis quelques semaines, semble être devenue le lieu d'élection des manifestations saisonnières de ces engins. Que présuppose ce changement de secteur ?

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Reprenons donc les apparitions de ces derniers temps. Deux sœurs de Oeydalen, en Norvège septentrionale, qui cueillaient des myrtilles dans la montagne, aperçurent le 21 août un homme accroupi derrière un arbre. L'homme se dressa et se mit à rire. Croyant avoir affaire à un fou, les deux jeunes femmes s'apprêtaient à s'enfuir, mais l'inconnu leur fit signe de s'approcher. L'une d'elles lui tendit la main. Mais lui se mit à battre des mains et à remuer la tête. Il était très brun, « comme un Indien », il avait des cheveux longs et portait une combinaison kaki. Il n'entendait pas le norvégien, ni l'anglais, ni le français et ni l'allemand. Les deux sœurs ne purent comprendre le sens de ses paroles.

— Alors, ajoute une des jeunes femmes, le mystérieux inconnu se mit à dessiner sur quelque chose qui ressemblait à une feuille de papier, le soleil, la lune, la terre, désigna celle-ci d'un doigt, puis moi-même de ce même doigt, répéta le geste pour une autre planète et pour lui-même...

L'homme conduisit les jeunes filles dans un pré situé au milieu d'une clairière. Elles y virent un engin étrange.

— Ce devait être une soucoupe volante, dit l'une d'elles. Elle avait entre quatre et cinq mètres de diamètre et elle ressemblait à deux couvercles de casseroles géantes collés l'un contre l'autre. L'homme nous empêcha de toucher son appareil. Puis, il saisit l'une de nous par le bras en nous montrant les racines d'un arbre. Nous n'avons pas compris ce que cela signifie. Il monta ensuite dans sa machine, nous fit un signe d'adieu et l'engin se mit à tournoyer sur lui-même, lentement d'abord, ne faisant guère plus de bruit qu'un bourdon pour décoller enfin à une vitesse terrifiante et disparaître à l'horizon.

Alertée, la police de Oeydalen ouvrit une enquête. Accompagnées de trois policiers, les deux sœurs se rendirent sur les lieux de l'aventure. Les agents ne relevèrent aucun indice de nature à prouver un atterrissage quelconque. Toute la presse norvégienne — d'où nous tirons ces informations — se mit à parler de « l'arrivée en Norvège d'un homme de l'espace ». Mais le major général de l'aviation militaire norvégienne, Birger Notzfeldt, expliqua aux journalistes qu'il s'agissait d'un hélicoptère américain participant à des manœuvres en Norvège septentrionale. Là-dessus, le pilote américain, Marly Faurot, de passage à Oslo, déclara qu'il était le héros de cette aventure et que les deux sœurs avaient pris son hélicoptère pour une soucoupe volante et lui-même pour un habitant de Mars. L'affaire semblait ainsi classée quand l'officier de police qui avait fait l'enquête à Oeydalen, affirma qu'il était matériellement impossible même à un hélicoptère d'atterrir dans la clairière qu'il avait visitée. Le pilote américain se rétracta, ajoutant qu'il n'était pas allé dans cette clairière. Le journal *Norlands Pratmid*, d'Oeydalen, déclare de son côté qu'aucun hélicoptère n'a atterri dans ces parages. Et l'enquête continue...

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Mais voici un fait plus sérieux. L'événement a eu lieu à Zurich, le 7 août dernier, à 16 h. 15 et l'observation a été faite par un premier-lieutenant de l'aviation militaire suisse. Le journal *Die Tat* de Zurich a publié le rapport que ce premier-lieutenant a adressé à ses supérieurs. Résumons-le ! Tandis qu'il regardait de la fenêtre de son appartement, place de Schaffhouse, des évolutions d'avions de sport au-dessus de la ville, le premier-lieutenant aperçut soudain « un disque sombre de la grosseur d'un centime, qui semblait se trouver sous le plafond de nuages ».

— Je crus d'abord qu'il s'agissait d'un ballon d'enfant, ajoute le premier-lieutenant. Mais curieusement ce disque, à la différence d'un ballon, n'était pas déporté par le vent. Je me saisis aussitôt de mes jumelles et observai l'engin.

Le militaire vit que celui-ci avait la forme d'une soucoupe renversée, dont l'épaisseur était environ d'un sixième de son diamètre. On distinguait une large couronne ronde entourant une surface circulaire, dont le diamètre représentait la moitié du diamètre de l'objet. La couleur de la couronne changeait constamment, passant d'une teinte argentée au rose, puis au bleu. La teinte passa au rouge et, les contours de l'engin devinrent imprécis et incandescents. Une fumée d'un brun foncé se dégageait derrière l'appareil et se dissolvait dans l'air.

— La grosseur de l'engin n'est certainement pas supérieure, à une quinzaine de mètres, conclut le premier-lieutenant.

Cette apparition a été confirmée. Le même soir, deux frères aperçurent vers 22 h. 30, au-dessus de l'aéroport de Kloten, un objet très brillant qui s'éleva à la verticale, vira du blanc jaune au rouge, redevint blanc et disparut. Il revint quelques minutes plus tard à une vitesse extraordinaire, pour disparaître définitivement.

Pendant ce temps, la France, elle aussi, était le théâtre de telles apparitions. Deux gardiens de la paix et un jeune ingénieur chimiste de 25 ans, ont vu au-dessus de Vernon, dans l'Eure, dans la nuit du 26 au 27 août, « un grand cigare qui brûlait immobile ». Cinq soucoupes se détachèrent successivement de ce « cigare ». La dernière descendit plus bas que les autres et put être observée par les témoins. Elle était rouge au centre, noire sur les bords et elle disparut vers le nord à une allure vertigineuse. Il y a un an déjà, des soucoupes volantes avaient été observées à Vernon.

Les points d'Europe où ont été vues des soucoupes volantes

A quelque 120 kilomètres à vol d'oiseau de Genève, les Lyonnais ont vu le 30 août, vers 20 h. 15, « une masse de forme allongée, comme un cigare gros et court, filant de l'est vers l'ouest ». M. Tardy, qui l'a observé, précise que cet « objet était de teinte bleu vert » et que « de sa partie arrière jaillissait une gerbe d'étincelles ». L'engin disparut « dans la direction du mont Vernon ».

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Si les faits nouveaux que nous signalons ici s'ajoutent au dossier que nous avons ouvert devant les lecteurs de ce journal, ils n'apportent, si curieux soient-ils, aucun élément nouveau dans le sens d'une solution de l'énigme posée. C'est d'ailleurs l'impression acquise dans tous les pays, où des observateurs recueillent ces faits, les classent et ne cessent de les interroger. Les physiciens d'Allemagne occidentale viennent justement de fonder, à Dusseldorf, une « société pour l'étude des soucoupes volantes ». Ce groupement privé, très fermé, bénéficie de l'appui officiel des autorités de Rhénanie, voire du gouvernement de la République fédérale de Bonn. Il se compose de plusieurs savants, de spécialistes de l'astronautique, de techniciens aussi qui ont travaillé pendant la dernière guerre à la construction de la V2, qui bombarda Londres. « Pour des raisons de sécurité », déclare le comité de ce groupement, « aucun détail ne peut être donné en ce moment sur les fonctions précises que nous exerçons ». On sait seulement que cette société ne rejette pas délibérément et a priori l'hypothèse selon laquelle ces engins volants mystérieux viendraient d'une autre planète !... Attendons !...

Mais d'autres informations sont maintenant publiées, qui jettent une lumière intéressante sur ces troublantes apparitions. C'est ainsi, tout d'abord, que les laboratoires aéronautiques Cornell, à New-York, ont mis au point une souffleurie dans laquelle il est possible d'obtenir des vitesses de 16.000 km/heure. Cet extraordinaire tunnel d'essai est une chambre vide, cylindrique. La vitesse de 16.000 km./heure est atteinte en un millième de seconde et le frottement des gaz contre l'engin volant placé dans ce tube provoque une température de 4000 degrés. On annonce officiellement qu'un tunnel plus grand encore est en voie de construction. Pourquoi faire ?...

D'autres informations, publiées ces jours derniers, complètent la première et sont de nature à expliquer les apparitions de plus en plus fréquentes d'engins mystérieux volant au-dessus de l'Europe. Pour la première fois, un bataillon américain, équipé d'un ensemble d'engins téléguidés, a débarqué en Europe au début d'août. Il dispose de 10 rampes de lancement. Son projectile, la fusée « Wac Corporal », qui mesure à 400.000 mètres et photographia la terre, a 15 m. de longueur et 1 m. 50 de diamètre. Elle se déplace à une vitesse dépassant largement celle du son. Selon une autre information publiée ces jours à Washington, le général Nathan Twining, chef d'état-major de l'aviation américaine, a déclaré que « la longue et délicate phase de transition entre l'avion et le projectile téléguidé a déjà commencé ». Il ajoute qu'« au fur et à mesure que ces engins téléguidés deviennent plus sûrs, ils n'acquittent des tâches jusqu'ici dévolues aux avions ». Répétons afin d'éviter tout malentendu que nous ne faisons état ici que d'informations officiellement publiées.

Au fond ne semble-t-il pas que le problème commence à s'éclaircir ?

— Sans doute, dit le révérend Cartmel, pasteur à Albridge, en Angleterre. Mais les soucoupes volantes ne doivent pas prêter à rire. Les autorités nous cachent à ce sujet des informations certaines qui se trouvent en leur possession. Si une soucoupe volante se posait dans mon jardin, je m'empresserais d'aller souhaiter la bienvenue à ses occupants !...

Cette attitude est sans doute la meilleure.

Charles REBER.

APPEARANCE OF FLYING SAUCERS IN THE SKY OF EUROPE

(Translation of salient points only)

Flying saucers are a summer subject, as the sea serpent used to be for more than a century--but with this difference, that flying saucers really & truly exist. But this year a new circumstance, significant for Europeans, should be noted: for seven years, it was principally Americans who had the good luck to see saucers, but this time Europe, for the past several weeks, appears to be the chosen theatre for their seasonal manifestations. SHOULD BE AUG 20

Returning to the most recent appearances:

Two sisters of Oeydalen, in northern Norway, who were picking bilberries on the mountain last August 21st, noticed a man crouching behind a tree. He got up and began to laugh. Supposing that they had to do with a madman, the young women prepared to escape, but the stranger motioned them to approach him. One of them extended her hand, but he only clapped his hands and shook his head. He was of a very brown complexion, "like a gypsy", with long hair and a khaki uniform. He understood neither Norwegian, French, English, nor German, and the two sisters were unable to understand what he was saying to them.

"Then", says one of the girls, "he began drawing on something that looked like a sheet of paper. He drew the sun, the earth, and the moon; he pointed to the earth with his finger, then at me; then he repeated the gesture for another planet and himself."

The man led the girls to a meadow in a clearing. There they saw a strange machine. "It must have been a flying saucer", said one of them. "It was between four and five meters across, and looked like two giant casserole covers stuck together. The man would not permit us to touch it. Then he seized one of us by the arm, and pointed out the roots of a tree. We could not grasp what he meant by this. He then entered his machine, waved farewell to us, and the machine began to turn on itself, slowly at first and without noise. Its sound was hardly louder than a drone when it finally took off at a terrific speed and disappeared over the horizon."

The Oeydalen police opened an inquiry. The two sisters returned with three policemen to the scene of their adventure. No evidence of any kind was found to show that there had been a landing. The Norwegian press--from which we take this information--was soon talking of "the space-man's arrival in Norway."

But the major general of Norwegian military aviation, Birger Notzfeldt (name seems incorrect--ADM) explained to journalists that what had been seen was an American helicopter taking part in maneuvers in northern Norway. On top of that, the American pilot himself, Marly Faurot (name?), when in Oslo, declared that he was the hero of this adventure and that the sisters had taken his helicopter for a flying saucer and him for a Martian. Thus the affair seemed to be disposed of; except that the Oeydalen police officer who had conducted the inquiry stated that it was impossible for even a helicopter to land in the clearing he had visited. The American pilot admitted that he had not gone to that clearing, and retracted his story. The Oeydalen newspaper, Norlands Fratmid (check name), moreover, declares that no helicopter landed in that neighbourhood. The inquiry continues.

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Observation at Zurich, last August 7, at 4:15 PM, by a first lieutenant of the Swiss air force. The witness's report to his superiors was published by the Zurich newspaper Die Tat, from which we abstract the following account:

He was watching pleasure aircraft maneuvering over the city, from the window of his apartment on Schaffhouse square, when he suddenly caught sight of "a dark

disc the size of a centime, which seemed to be beneath the cloud layer."

"I thought at first it was a child's balloon", he says. "But oddly enough, it was not carried along by the wind. On noticing this, I at once took my field glasses and observed the craft. It had the form of an upside-down saucer, its thickness approximately one-sixth of its diameter. A wide, round rim could be seen encircling a circular surface whose diameter was half that of the whole object. The colour of this rim was constantly changing, passing from a silvery colour to rose, then blue. The colour became red, and the outline of the machine became imprecise and incandescent. A dark brown smoke was being emitted behind the machine, and dissolved in the air. The size of the craft was certainly not more than some fifteen meters."

This observation has received confirmation. The same evening, about 10:30 PM, two brothers saw a very brilliant object over the Kloten airport. This rose vertiwally, faded from yellow-white to red, then became white again and disappeared. A few minutes later, it returned at an extraordinary speed, then vanished for good.

During this time, France too was the theatre of similar appearances. Two guardians of the peace and a 25-year-old chemical engineer saw "a motionless, ~~xxxxx~~ shining great cigar" over Vernon (Eure) on the night of August 26-27. must be 8/23/54 Five saucers successively detached themselves from this cigar. The last, descending lower than the others, could be observed: it was red in the centre with a black border, and disappeared northward at breathtaking speed. (This case is described in some original clippings on another sheet--ADM.) One year previously, flying saucers had also been observed at Vernon.

Some 120 km as the crow flies from Geneva, the inhabitants of Lyon on the night of August 30, about 8:15 PM, saw "an elongated mass like a fat, short cigar, travelling from east to west." M. Tardy, who observed it, describes it as of a blue-green colour, and says ~~xxx~~ that a jet of sparks was emitted from its rear end. It disappeared "in the direction of Mt. Vernon."

.....German physicists have just founded, at Düsseldorf, a society for the study of flying saucers. This very exclusive private group, which receives official coöperation from Rhineland authorities, i.e. from the Bonn government, is composed of several scientists, astronautical specialists, and technicians who worked on the V-2 during the last war. "For reasons of security", says the group, "no details can be released at this time on the precise nature of our work." It is known only that this society does not reject a priori the hypothesis that these mysterious flying machines come from another planet.

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The Rev. Cartmel, pastor of Albridge (England) says that "flying saucers ought not to be a matter for laughter. The authorities are keeping from us certain information that they possess. If a flying saucer were to land in my garden, I would hasten to welcome its occupants."

Undoubtedly this is the best attitude to take.

SIGHTINGS

1. Aug. 20, 1954 - Oeydalen (Mosfjell or Mosjoen), Norway
2. Aug. 7, 1954 - Zurich, Switzerland (2 cases)
3. Aug 23, 1954 - Vernon, France.
4. Aug. 30, 1954 - Lyon, France.

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The Dossier of a Disturbing Enigma
No. 4 (series by Charles Reber)
Appearance of Flying Saucers in the European Sky

While we were trying, in our last article, to come to a logical and human conclusion of this inquiry, the pursuit of flying saucers resumed. Moreover, it is a summer subject, as the sea serpent has been for more than a century - with this difference, that the flying saucer really exists. But this year we must mention a new fact, which is significant for Europeans. For seven years it was chiefly Americans who had the good luck to observe flying saucers. This time it is Europe that seems to have become the place, for several weeks now, where these devices have elected to make their seasonal appearance.

CORR: AUG 20

Let's review these latest appearances. Two sisters of Oeydalen, in northern Norway, were gathering bilberries along a mountainside on August 21, when they say a man crouching behind a tree. He stood up and began to laugh. Thinking the man was a lunatic, the two young women started to runaway, but the stranger gestured to them to come closer. One of them held out her hand to him, but he began to clap his hands (lit., "appland") and shake his head. He was very brown, "like a gypsy," he had long hair and wore a khaki garment (lit., "combination, contrivance"). He did not understand Norwegian, English, French, or German. The two sisters could not understand what he said.

"Then," says one of the young women, "the mysterious stranger began to draw, on something that looked like a sheet of paper, the sun, the moon, the earth, pointed his finger at to the latter, then pointed to me with the same finger, and repeated the gesture for another planet and for himself."

The man led the two young women to a meadow situated in the middle of a clearing. There they saw a strange object.

"This (must have been?) a flying saucer," one of them said. It was between four and five meters in diameter, and it look like two casserole covers (giant) stuck together. The man stopped us from touching his clothes. Then he took hold of one of us by the arm, pointing to the roots of a tree. We couldn't understand that this meant. Then he climbed into his machine, made a gesture of "goodbye" to us, and the (engin) began to turn on itself (sur lui-meme), slowly at first, making hardly any more noise than a (bourdon, lit. "drone" or "humble-bee), then rose (lit., unglued itself) with terrifying speed and disappeared over the horizon."

Notified, the police of Oeydalen began an inquiry. Accompanied by three police officers, the two sisters went back to the scene of the adventure. The officers noticed nothing that would prove any kind of a landing. (lit., noticed no natural indication.) The entire Norwegian press - from which we draw this information - began to talk about "the arrival in Norway of a man from space." But the major general of Norwegian military aviation, Birger Notsfeldt, explained to journalists that the whole thing involved an American helicopter that was participating in manoeuvres in northern Norway. On top of this an American pilot, Marly Faurot, passing through Oslo, declared that he was the hero of this adventure and that the two sisters had taken his helicopter for a flying saucer and himself for a man from Mars.

This seemed to settle the matter, when the police officer who had conducted the inquiry at Oeydalen stated that it was absolutely impossible for even a helicopter to land in the clearing that he had visited. The American pilot retracted his statement, adding that he had not gone into the clearing. The newspaper (Journal) Horlemis Freindg, of Oeydalen, declared on that no helicopter had landed in the area. And the inquiry continues ...

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But here is a more serious fact. The incident occured at Zurich, August 7 last, at 16 h. 15 (4:15) and the observation was made by a first lieutenant of the Swiss air forces. The newspaper Die Tat of Zurich published the report that this officer made to his superiors. Let us summarize it. While he was looking out of the window of his apartment on Schaffhouse place, watching the manoeuvres of some sport planes over the city, he suddenly noticed "a dull (lit. sombre) disk, the size of a centime, which seemed to be under the cloud ceiling."

"I thought at first that it was a child's balloon," he added. "But strangely, this disc, unlike a balloon, was not being moved by the wind. I grabbed my field-glasses and studied the object."

The soldier saw that it had the shape of a saucer upside-down; the thickness was about one-sixth of the diameter. A large round crown surrounded a circular surface, whose diameter was about half the diameter of the object. (On distinguait une large couronne ronde entourant une surface circulaire, dont le diamètre représentait la moitié du diamètre de l'objet.) The color of the (couronne) changed constantly, from a silvery tint to rose, then to blue. The color changed to red and the outlines of the object became uncertain and incandescent. Dark brown smoke appeared (se dégageait) behind the object and dissolved in the air.

"The size of the object was certainly not more than 15 meters," the 1st lieutenant ~~concluded~~ finished.

This sighting was confirmed. The same evening, about 10:30, two brothers saw, over the airport of Kloten, a very brilliant object which rose vertically, changed from whitish-yellow to red, became white again and disappeared. It reappeared a few minutes later, at extraordinary speed, and disappeared for good.

About this time France too was the scene of similar appearances. Two policemen (gardiens de la paix) and a young chemical engineer, 25 years old, saw over Vernon, in Eure, during the night of August 26-27, "a huge cigar that shone motionless." Five saucers were successively detached from this "cigar." The last one came down lower than the others, and could be closely observed by the witnesses. It was red in the center, black around the edges, and it disappeared to the north at a dizzying speed. ~~Three~~ A year ago ~~that~~ flying saucers had also been seen at Vernon.

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About 120 kilometers from Geneva as the ~~bird~~ flies, the resident of Lyon saw, on August 30, about 8:15 p.m., "an elongated mass like a short thick cigar, shooting from the east to the west." Mr. Turdy, who saw it, said, more precisely, that this "object was of a bluish-green color," and that "from the rear of it gushed a sheaf of sparks." The object disappeared "in the direction of Vernon Mountain" (du mont Vernon).

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~~If~~ the new events that we are mentioning here must be added to the dossier that we have presented to our readers, they add nothing - strange though they are - no new element that is in any sense a solution to the riddle. This is the impression, moreover, in all the countries where ghost observers are gathering such facts, classifying them, and continuously studying them. The physicists of West Germany have just founded, in Dusseldorf, a "society for the study of flying saucers." This civilian group, very exclusive, is able to benefit from the official support of the Rhenish (Rhenanie) authorities, even the government of the federal republic of Bonn. It is composed of several savants (scholars), astronautical specialists, and specialists who worked during the last war on the construction of the V-2, which bombarded London. "For security reasons," this group states, "we cannot give out any details about our functions at present." We only know that this group will not deliberately and ~~a~~ priori reject the hypothesis that these objects come from another planet. Let's wait!

Other information has been published that throws an interesting light on these puzzling apparitions. The Cornell aeronautical laboratories, at New York, have put into use (mis en point) a wind tunnel in which it is possible to obtain speeds of 16,000 kph. This extraordinary experimental tunnel is an empty cylindrical room. The speed of 16,000 kph is attained in a thousandth of a second, and the friction of the air against the plane (engin volant) placed in this tube produces a temperature of 4000 degrees. It has been officially announced that an even larger tunnel is being under construction. To do what .... ?

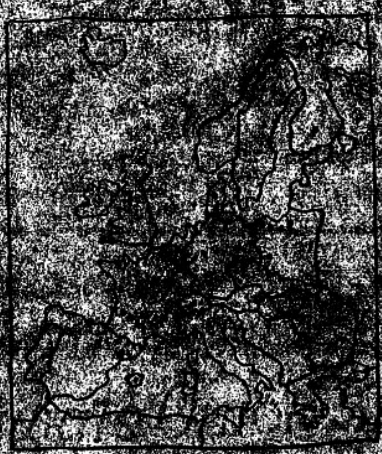
Other information published during the last few days, completes the preceding (?) (complete la precedent) and is of a nature to explain the appearances, more and more frequent, of mysterious flying objects over Europe. For the first time an American batallion, equipped with a set of guided missiles (engins teleguides) arrived in Europe at the beginning of August. It has ten launching ~~f~~ ramps. The projectile, the "Sac Corporal" rocket, which can go up to 400,000 meters and photograph the earth, is 15 m. long and 1½ m. in diameter. It travels at a speed considerably greater than the speed of sound. According to other information recently published in Washington, General Nathan Twining, chief of staff of the American Air Force, declared, "The long and delicate phase of transition between the plane and the guided missile has already begun. He added that "to the extent that these devices become more reliable, they will take over the tasks that have thus far been assigned to planes." To avoid misunderstanding, let us emphasize here that we are quoting only official published statements.

Doesn't it seem that the problem is beginning to solve itself?

"Undoubtedly," says said the Reverend Carkeel, pastor at Albridge, England. "But the flying saucers should not be laughed at. The authorities are concealing from us certain information that they have. If a flying saucer were to land in my garden, I would hurry to welcome its occupants!"

This attitude is without doubt the best.

— Charles Exbar



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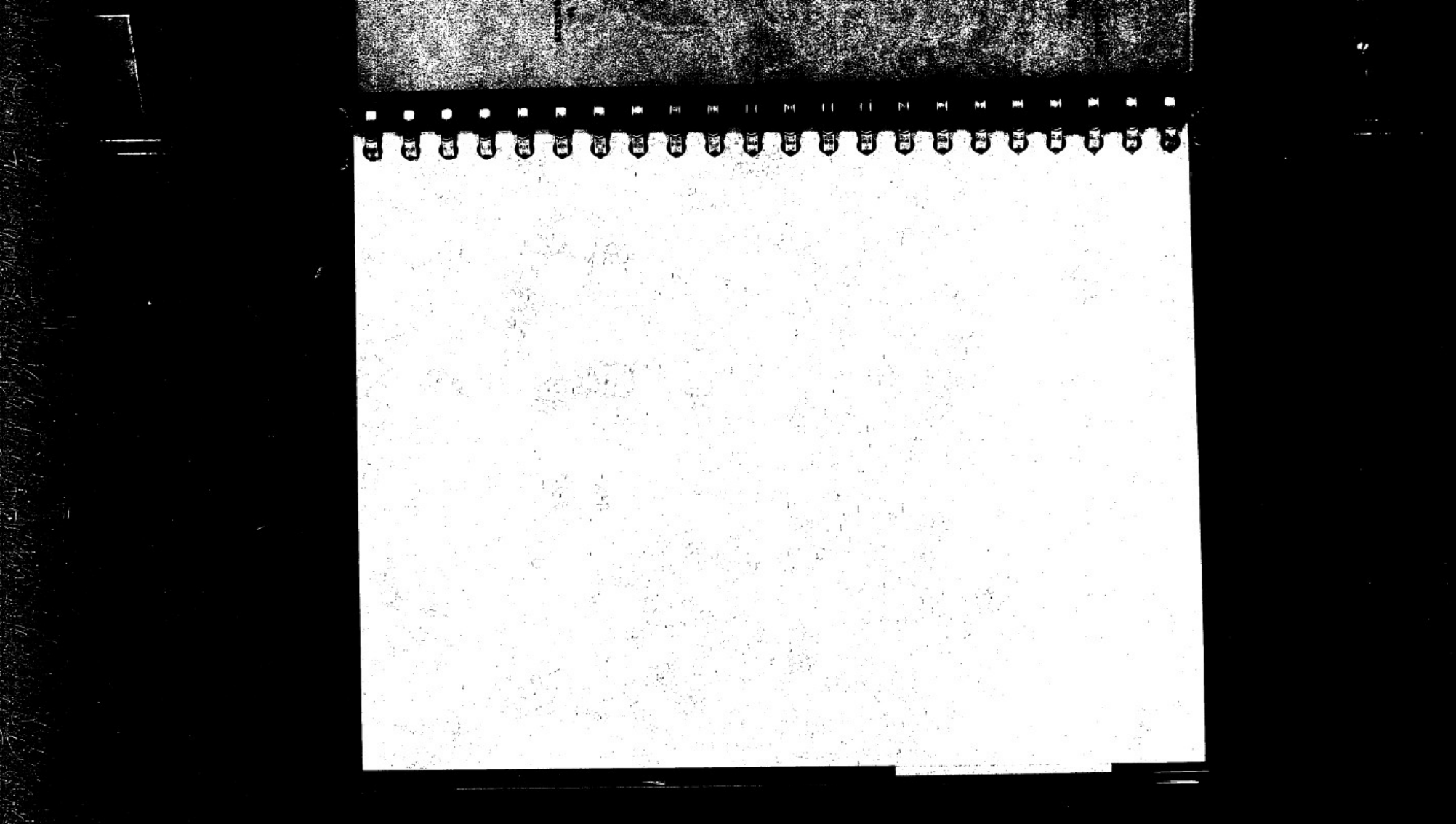

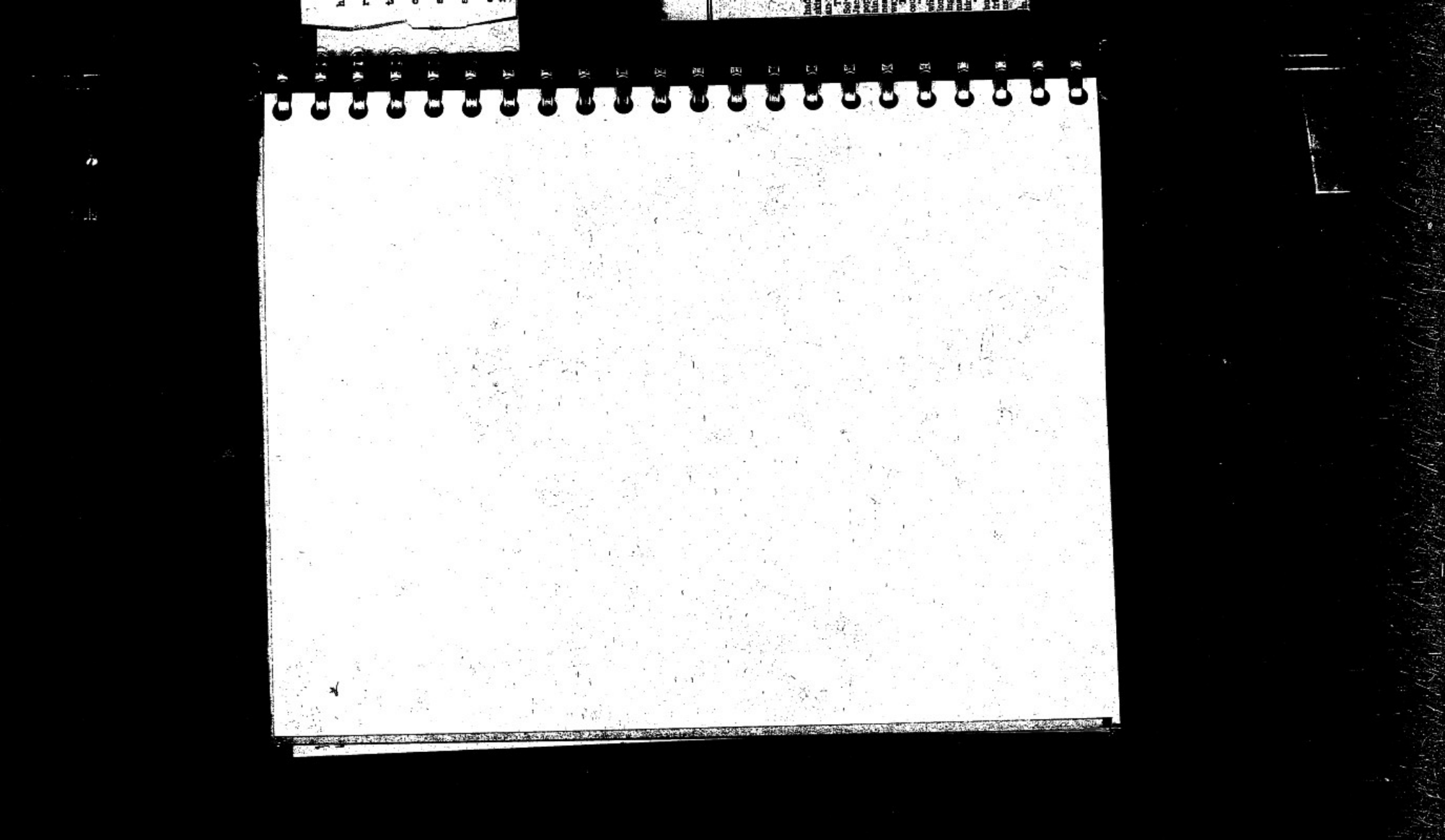

OSLO, NORWAY, Aug. 24, 1954 (reuters)— Two Norwegian women claim last Friday they had a lengthy rendezvous with a longhaired foreigner and his "flying saucer."

This is the story the women--sisters aged 24 and 32--told, according to police and reporters:

They were picking berries when a dark, longhaired stranger appeared and motioned them to a hollow, where they saw a two-ply saucer contraption 16 feet in diameter.

He jabbered in a strange language at them, gestured and made drawings to try to communicate. They jabbered back in English, French and German. No results.

Finally he sauntered back to his contraption, started it up with a slight humming sound, "like a bumble-bee," rose at great speed and vanished into the sky.

They claimed he wore a kind of khaki overalls with no buttons, but possibly "with a belt."

The alleged incident took place near Mosjoen(Mofjell), Norway. The local police-chief said he will dispatch some of his men to the spot tomorrow to see what they can find.

Newark Star-Ledger, Thurs., 8-26-54

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Journal-Every Evening, Wilmington, Delaware, Wednesday, August 25, 1954

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Translation by Ted Bloecher

From
L'Echo du Maroc 27 Aug 1954

Not to confuse helicopter and flying saucer

Oslo, 26 Aug. (F.P) The paper "Aftenposten" stated that the American pilot, Baily Faurot, has confirmed yesterday(that At)the time of his flight to Oslo, to have landed in the area of Mosjoeen, the two people having taken his helicopter for a "flying saucer" and himself for an inhabitant of Mars.

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27 AOUT 1954

Ne pas confondre hélicoptère et soucoupe volante »

OSLO, 26 août (F.P.). — Le journal norvégien « Aftenposten » annonce que le pilote américain Baily Faurot, d'passer, avait rencontré dans la région de Mosjoen, au cours de son vol d'hier, deux personnes qui, prenant pour une soucoupe volante l'hélicoptère dans lequel [illegible]

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LE DEMOCRATE
DELEMONT
28 AOUT 1954

La soucoupe volante des Norvégiennes était un hélicoptère !

(Sp.) OSLO, le 28. — Comme nous l'avons déjà dit, deux Norvégiennes qui cueillaient des myrtilles près de Mosjoen, à 300 km. au nord de Trondheim, avaient rencontré, du moins l'affirmaient-elles, de pilote d'une soucoupe volante. Celui-ci, disaient-elles, parlait doux, parlait un langage incompréhensible et portait une tenue kaki. Quant à son engin, il ressemblait à un assemblage de couvercles de casseroles géantes.

Les deux Norvégiennes racontèrent que l'homme, n'ayant pu se faire comprendre, remonta dans son engin et repartit, vers une quelconque planète Mars.

En fait, il retournait à Oslo, où il a mis, hier, les choses au point. Il s'agit du pilote américain Baily Furot, qui fait partie d'un groupe d'aviateurs prêtés, avec leurs hélicoptères, à la Norvège, par l'armée de l'air USA, pour effectuer divers transports dans le nord du pays. Baily Furot, qui semblait enchanté de l'aventure, a déclaré : « En voyant la tête que faisaient ces deux personnes, devant mon hélicoptère, j'avais cru atterrir sur la lune. »

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Flying Saucer Is American

OSLO, Norway, Reuters—The Oslo evening newspaper Aftenposten said Thursday the flying saucer two sisters thought they saw near Mosjoen was in reality a large helicopter—and the "spaceman" they talked to was an American pilot, Baily Faurot.

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CASABLANCA

28 AOUT 1954

Flirt entre planètes !

◆ En Norvège, l'été a rendu les pilotes de soucoupes volantes bien soucieux d'aventures féminines. Du moins si l'on en croit ces deux sœurs qui lors d'une cueillette de myrtilles virent s'approcher le pilote d'une soucoupe volante : un homme très brun, à la longue chevelure noire. Il s'exprimait poliment dans une langue que les deux sœurs ne purent comprendre. L'homme les conduisit alors dans une clairière, où les jeunes filles virent une soucoupe volante d'environ cinq mètres de diamètre. L'inconnu, après un dernier sourire, monta à bord et la soucoupe s'éleva dans le ciel à une vitesse vertigineuse.

Translation by
Ted Bloecher

From Maroc Demain
Casablanca
August 28, 1954

"Interplanetary Flirtations"
(free translation)

In Norway, the summer has given the flying saucer pilots a thoughful blessings of feminine adventures. One hears(?)more than a little of the two sisters, who ~~xiii~~ while berry picking, were approached by the pilot of a flying saucer: a very dark man, with long black hair. He expressed himself politely in a language that the two sisters did not understand. The man then conducted them into a clearing where the sisters saw a flying saucer with a diameter of about 5 metres. The unknown(stranger)after a last smile, got on board and the saucer rose into the sky at a great velocity.

LE DEMOCRATE
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ENTRE MINUIT ET UNE HEURE

Un sujet qui est à la mode et où chacun veut avoir le dernier mot, ce sont les soucoupes volantes.

Ces soucoupes volantes sillonnent, ces derniers temps, les colonnes de journaux avec une régularité un rien inquiétante. Et les cieux du monde entier en recèlent, que ce soit au Labrador ou même, phénomène beaucoup plus alarmant, dans le sérieux canton de Zurich.

L'aérodyne lenticulaire — pour parler comme les savants — la plus humoristique est sans doute celle qui est apparue, la semaine dernière, à des candides cueilleuses de myrtilles norvégiennes. Ces naïves personnes avaient vu débarquer, d'un appareil qu'elles n'hésitèrent pas à baptiser « soucoupe volante », un homme qu'elles crurent, sans l'ombre d'une hésitation, venu d'une autre planète.

On frémit en se demandant comment diable étaient faits leurs époux à ces pastoureles de myrtilles.

En femmes, elles donnèrent de l'aventure, une version si luxueusement détaillée, qu'elle laisse rêveur. Imaginez qu'elles remarquèrent, en fines mouches, que la combinaison du « pilote » n'avait pas [redacted], que le papier qu'il emp[redacted] papier, ni son [redacted] crayon. Une seu[redacted] échappé, à ces Sherlock[redacted] pon, c'est que la prétendue volante n'était qu'un quelconque commun hélicoptère et que leur beau ténébreux, venu soi-disant d'une autre planète, venait plus prosaïquement des U.S.A.

Et c'est sans doute la première soucoupe volante qui ait marqué la fin d'illusions.

Tandis que les autres continuent de faire rêver les savants. Il est vrai que ce sont des rêves scientifiques.

PENOCHON

From "THE FLYING SAUCER MYSTERY - SOLVED" by Moseley
included in NEXUS, Vol. 4, Tome I, Oct. 1954

Meanwhile, over in Norway, two sisters are claiming that they have not only had a close look at a flying saucer, but they talked to its "dark-skinned, long-haired" pilot. According to these women, the saucer-man stepped out from behind some bushes and approached them. They were frightened at first, but the stranger appeared to be friendly. They addressed him in English, German, French and Norwegian, but he didnt seem to understand a word. He attempted to communicate with them by drawing circles and what looked like pictures of heavenly bodies on a piece of paper. He finally led them to his craft, which looked like "two deep saucers sandwiches together", about 15 feet across. He opened the hatch and crawled into the disc. Moments later the craft rose from the ground and began rotating, first slowly, then increasing faster. Then it disappeared at incredible speed.

The newspapers say that these women have a reputation for honesty in their home town. But the most amazing part of this Norwegian story is that an American pilot named Billie Faurot, who is based at Stuttgart, Germany, claims to be the man these sisters saw! He confirms that while flying over northern Norway he landed and met two women. However, he was supposedly flying a helicopter, rather than a saucer! If his story is basically true, then it is quite obvious that he was not flying a helicopter, but an American-made saucer-shaped craft of some kind. If the women are also telling the truth, then this American pilot may well have been under orders to play the part of a space-man if he or his craft should be observed on the ground. It seems to me that there was nothing unusual enough about the man these women described to warrent their conclusion that he was from another planet. After all, quite a few Americans are odd-looking, and a good number of them are dark skinned. The stories told by Billie Faurot and by the Norwegian women check, except in regard to the description of the craft.

I believe that we have here the key to the saucer riddle! Many times during the past few years "space-men" have supposedly been seen on the ground; but seldom have they been described as unusual in appearance except in regard to size, coloring, hair style, and the like. The conclusion is that these may not be space-men at all, but mere Earthlings testing secret devices!

On est persuadé de l'existence de la « Soucoupe Volante »

Oslo, 29 Août (ACP). — La population de Mosjoen, dans le nord de la Norvège, n'attache aucun crédit à la version suivant laquelle il se serait agi tout bonnement d'un hélicoptère américain.

On se souvient que la semaine dernière, deux sœurs de Mosjoen affirmaient avoir vu une soucoupe volante et son passager avec qui elles avaient conversé par gestes.

Le chef de la police lui-même a déclaré : « S'il s'agit d'un pilote d'hélicoptère américain, j'aimerais beaucoup faire sa connaissance. Il est hors de question qu'un hélicoptère ait pu atterrir dans nos collines.

Un cousin des deux sœurs a ajouté : « Tout atterrissage d'hélicoptère était impossible ».

Cependant, aucun des deux hommes n'a vu ou entendu la mystérieuse soucoupe volante. Il n'y a, d'autre part, aucune information officielle concernant un atterrissage d'hélicoptère ce jour-là.

Quant au pilote américain qui d'après l'aviation norvégienne, était effectivement de service dans le nord de la Norvège la semaine dernière, il a regagné sa base de Stuttgart en Allemagne.

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Translated by Marian Johns

From Maroc-Presse, Casablar
August 30, 1954

We are convinced of the existance of flying saucers.

Oslo, 29 Aug. (ACP) -- The population of Mosjoeen, in northern Norway, is convinced that a flying saucer has come to pay it a visit and it attaches no belief to the version following which it would be the question of an American flier.

One recalls that last week two sisters of Mosjoeen state having seen a flying saucer and its passenger with whom they had conversed with gestures.

The cheif of police himsel declared: "If it's a question of an Amer. pilot of an Amer. helicopter, I should like very much to make his acquaintance. It is out of the question that a helicopter could have landed in our hills."

A cousin of the two sisters has added: "That any helicopter landing was impossible..."

However, neither of the two men has seen nor heard the mysterious flying saucer. There has been no official information from anywhere concerning a helicopter landing that day.

As to the Amer. pilot who, according to Norwegia aviation, was effectively in service in northern Norway last week, he got back to his base in Stuttgart, Germany.

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Voilà ce que M. Miserey a vu dans le ciel de Vernon

L'ÉTRANGE chose s'était passée dans le petit au-dessus des collines. Quand Bernard Miserey—Edouard von and Sons de mairie, il y a quelques jours, à Vernon, il en resta stupéfait. Il venait de mettre sa voiture au garage et avait juste eu assez d'œil machinal vers la Seine qui coulait tout près, au bout de la rue. C'est alors qu'il vit le disque.

Au bout d'un moment se détacha de l'avant de l'engin un disque vertical, que Bernard Miserey classe dans la catégorie des soucoupes volantes, et qui semblait composé de neon rouge vif. Puis, lentement, le premier disque prit la tête, prenant la direction Nord-Est, suivi par les quatre autres, qui disparurent dans les mêmes conditions. Stupéfait, Bernard Miserey eut pour l'idée d'une dernière soucoupe s'était détachée qui lui paraissait descendre vers le pont comme pour l'attaquer. Et puis, à une vitesse folle vers le nord et disparut. Le départ, lui aussi, s'était déroulé. Toute la scène avait duré environ trois quarts d'heure.

Notre photo représente M. Bernard Miserey montrant, au bord de la Seine, à Vernon, la direction prise par les soucoupes. Notre dessinateur a fait figurer sur la photo, selon les indications du témoin, le cigare au-dessus des collines et le trajet suivi par deux des cinq soucoupes observées.

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Toujours des soucoupes volantes à Vernon

Dans son numéro du 4 septembre 1953, seul de toute la presse, « le Démocrate » signalait l'apparition dans le ciel de notre ville de soucoupes volantes. M. Buchgardien de la paix, sa famille, des voisins, des promeneurs à Saint-Marcel, furent témoins des faits.

Un an, presque jour pour jour, un autre de nos concitoyens, M. J. M..., fils d'un commerçant de notre ville (il a demandé de lui garder l'anonymat), a été témoin de faits semblables dans la nuit de dimanche à lundi.

Mais laissons-lui la parole :

« Rentrant assez tard de voyage, je venais de garer ma voiture rue du Pont, il était environ 1 heure du matin. En refermant la porte du garage, j'ai regardé par hasard en direction de la Seine. La nuit était assez sombre. J'aperçus alors très distinctement au-dessus du pont un objet allongé de couleur rouge, ressemblant à un gros cigare, qui se tenait sensiblement immobile à assez faible hauteur et dans le silence le plus total. Immédiatement, je vis se détacher une soucoupe volante que je peux décrire avec précision. Elle avait la forme d'un disque ovale, de couleur sombre, surmonté d'un dôme rouge avec une auréole très brillantes, entourée de flammes. Une soucoupe volante se détachait du cigare, tombait à la verticale, puis paraissait vouloir observer un vol horizontal au-dessus du pont; elle virait, remontait et disparaissait brusquement. Elle était remplacée aussitôt par une autre.

La dernière surtout m'impressionna, car j'eus l'impression qu'elle allait se poser sur le pont tellement elle perdait d'altitude. Mais elle reprit soudainement comme les précédentes, à une vitesse terrifiante, en direction du Nord. »

M. M..., qui avait déjà observé une soucoupe volante, mais en plein jour, il y a deux ans dans la région d'Evreux, a été le seul témoin (contrairement à ce qui a été dit) de cette incursion extraordinaire sur notre ville.

Les Services des Renseignements généraux sont venus enquêter cette semaine.

Il nous est difficile maintenant de ranger ces soucoupes parmi les inoffensives balbutiements d'une science terrifiante ou non, aurons-nous un jour la clef du mystère ?

LE DEMOCRATE VERNONNAIS
VERNON
27 AOUT 1954

Translations attached.

SOUCOUPES VOLANTES DANS LE CIEL DE VERNON

EVREUX, 24 Août (AFP). — Des engins mystérieux auraient été aperçus par plusieurs personnes dans le ciel de Vernon (Eure) au cours de la nuit de dimanche à lundi.

Le fils d'un commerçant de la ville affirme avoir vu distinctement, vers une heure du matin, au-dessus de la Seine, un objet allongé, de couleur rouge, ressemblant à un gros cigare. Selon, ses dires, cet objet se tenait immobile à une assez faible hauteur. Le silence était total.

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Ce curieux carrousel aurait duré trois quarts d'heure.

Ces observations ont été confirmées par plusieurs personnes et notamment par un ingénieur chimiste du laboratoire de recherches balistiques et atomiques pour l'armée, qui suivait, à la même heure, la RN 182. L'ingénieur observa les mystérieux engins brillants et jugea, avec la personne qui l'accompagnait, qu'il ne pouvait s'agir que de soucoupes volantes.

MAROC-PRESSE
CASABLANCA
25 AOUT 1954

ENCORE LES SOUCOUPES VOLANTES...

Un rédacteur du « Figaro », M. André Larcher, est allé interviewer un habitant de Vernon (Eure) qui relata ainsi comment il vit des soucoupes volantes se détacher d'un « cigare brillant ».

— Lundi dernier, a-t-il précisé, je venais de remiser ma voiture au garage (lequel se trouve à proximité du quai de la Seine) lorsque, levant la tête, je fus ébloui par une sorte de grand cigare brillant et immobile... Au bout de quelques secondes, une soucoupe se détacha du cigare, se plaçant dans une position verticale, fonça dans ma direction. Elle était entourée d'un halo incandescent. Après s'être immobilisée en se mettant à l'horizontale, elle s'est soudain éloignée à une vitesse prodigieuse pour se perdre dans la nuit. A peine avait-elle disparu qu'une autre se présentait dans les mêmes conditions, ainsi qu'une troisième, une quatrième et une cinquième. C'est celle-ci qui m'a causé la plus forte impression. Elle était de grandeur nettement plus que les précédentes et s'était arrêtée un instant au-dessus du nouveau pont comme si elle cherchait une cible. Au moment où elle était à sa plus faible altitude, je distinguais nettement qu'elle était rouge au centre et noire sur les bords, ce qui tranchait avec le halo très ardent. On n'entendait pas le moindre bruit.

A son tour, elle disparut à une allure fantastique vers le nord, d'où elle venait. Le cigare lui, s'était depuis longtemps volatilisé. Je n'ai aucune idée des dimensions que pouvaient présenter ces objets ni de l'altitude où ils évoluaient. Tout avait duré environ trois quarts d'heure.

CENTRE-ECLAIR
TOURS
27 AOUT 1954
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LE BAUGEOIS
BAUGE
27 AOUT 1954

Les soucoupes volantes

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1954

About this time France too was the scene of similar appearances. Two policemen (gardiens de la paix) and a young chemical engineer, 25 years old, saw over Vernon, in Eure, during the night of August 26-27, "a huge cigar that shone motionless." Five saucers were successively detached from this "cigar." The last one came down lower than the others, and could be closely observed by the witnesses. It was red in the center, black around the edges, and it disappeared to the north at a dizzying speed. Exactly a year ago these flying saucers had also been seen at Vernon.

Chas Reber series

Vernon (Eure), France, August 23(?), 1954 Maroc-Presse, Aug. 25, 1954

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(Vernon, continued)

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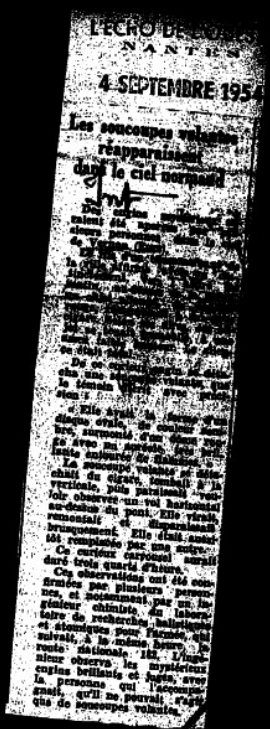
Aug. 28, 1954 Sat. night
Coupal family
Hemmingford, Québec

After supper 7:30 D.S.T.
14 acre farm

Boys went on horseback to other end for feed.
Five boys saw "big thing coming in the air" & landed on other side of barn. Didn't tell other boy.

Looked like ball of fire, but as soon as landed turned black. 9' sphere. Door opened - "made like a ladder" & a man came out.

Big tall man all dressed in skin-tight black rubber except for head. Big muscles.


L'ÉCHO DE
NANTES
4 SEPTEMBRE 195
Les soucoupes volantes
réapparaissent
dans le ciel normand

Seems not to be a flying saucer – see attached sheet.

COURRIER de L'OUEST
ANGERS

2 SEPTEMBRE 1954

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IVe RÉPUBLIQUE
PAU

2 SEPTEMBRE 195[illegible]

Un disque brun auréolé de lueurs vertes dans le ciel d'Angers

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Angers. — Un angevine, Mlle Claire Cordier, habitant rue Bresigny, à Angers, a déclaré avoir aperçu de sa fenêtre, à 20 h. 20, dans le ciel, un disque brun auréolé de lueurs vertes, qui volait à vive allure vers le Nord. Durant le passage du disque dans le ciel elle entendit un léger ronronnement.

Un couvreur, habitant dans la même rue, M. André Greffier, a également été le témoin de la scène qu'il vit de son jardin où il avait été attiré par les lueurs vertes qui traversaient la verrière de sa cuisine.

ANGERS

3 SEPTEMBRE 195[illegible]

Était-ce un simple aérolithe ?

DE NOUVEAUX TÉMOIGNAGES SUR LA SOUCOUPE VOLANTE

INT

vue, lundi, à Angers

nous précisent cette curieuse apparition

[illegible]

La soucoupe en Indre-et-Loire

[illegible]

« Un aérolithe dans le ciel poitevin »

[illegible]

on Aug. 30, 1954

Also appeared in newspapers of Poitiers, Tarbes, Agen, Lille, Lyon, Limoges, Vannes...

BROWN DISC WITH HALO OF GREEN LIGHT IN SKY OF ANGERS

Mlle. Claire Cordier, living in Bresigny street, Angers, declares that at 8:20 PM she saw from her window a brown disc with halo of green lights, flying at a rapid pace toward the north. As it passed she heard a slight purring sound.

A roofer living in the same street, M. André Greffier, also witnessed the occurrence. He saw it from his garden, where he had gone on noticing the green lights crossing his kitchen window.

The Lionese Have Had Their Flying Saucer, Too!

AUG 30

As we reported yesterday, the Angevins have finally had their flying saucer. But the Lionese have had theirs, too--undoubtedly the same one. On Monday, about 8:20 PM, Mme. Poirier, who lives near the church, was in her courtyard with a neighbour, M. Sanson, when they saw in the sky a brilliant light in the form of a disc followed by a rather short tail. This light seemed to come from a great height and to be approaching the earth rapidly. Suddenly the tail disappeared, the brightness changed, and the disc dropped vertically and disappeared.

The speed seemed to the witnesses to be much greater than that of a jet plane, but slower than a shooting star.

No sound was heard. The phenomenon (or craft) was travelling from south to north.

(The town referred to is not Lyon, but Le Lion-d'Angers, a small town north of Angers.)

Just A Meteor?

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This interesting from a well-informed witness would seem to furnish a suitable explanation for the phenomenon. However, we could still class the apparition of last Monday among "unidentified celestial objects."

(Translation by A. D. Mebane)

Un objet bleu pâle, de la grosseur d'un ballon de football...

« Je dois reconnaître que je fus plutôt mécontent lorsque ma fille vint me tirer de mon sommeil le 30 août à 22 h. 40 pour m'annoncer toute tremblante d'émotion qu'elle avait aperçu de mystérieux objets dans le ciel », nous dicte M. Ernest Scheidegger-Siegenthaler, de Arch (Berne) nouvelliste connu à la frontière, l'aperçus à mon profond étonnement, vers le sud-ouest et à une grande altitude, un objet bleu pâle de la grosseur d'un ballon de football qui se déplaçait selon une trajectoire rigoureusement horizontale d'est en ouest à une vitesse prodigieuse. Je fus le jouet pendant environ dix secondes. Car objet, rappelons le encore Ernest Siegenthaler, ne faisait aucun bruit et pouvait raisonnablement son vol jusqu'à ce qu'il sorte de mon champ de vision. Je remontai catégoriquement l'idée qu'il s'agissait peut-être d'un météore, car l'astronomie est mon violon d'Ingres et je crois pouvoir être de force à reconnaître les phénomènes célestes.»

L'Illustré (Lausanne), Oct. 7, 1954

8/31/54

● Discs at Nowra

On August 31, 1954, a naval pilot, Lieutenant O'Farrell, spotted two fast flying, disc-shaped objects at 12,000 feet. They also appeared on his radarscope. He immediately radioed to Nowra Base for a check-up.

Nowra radar also picked up the objects but could not identify them. It should be noted that if radar blips are confirmed visually, the observed objects must be solid.

Radar is good evidence, and so is motion picture photography.

L'ILLUSTRÉ - LAUSANN, SWITZERLAND, OCT. 7, 1954

"A pale blue object the size of a football... "I remember that I was quite annoyed when my daughter came and woke me up on August 30 (1954 ?) at 10:40 at night to tell me, shaking with excitement (trembling with emotion) that she had seen mysterious objects in the sky," said Ernest Scheidegger-Siegenthaler, of Arch. "But when I went to the window, I saw, to my profound astonishment, toward the south-west and at a high altitude, a pale blue object about the size of a football, which was moving in completely horizontal flight from east to west at a prodigious speed. I could follow it for about 10 seconds. This object, like the lens of a watch, made no noise whatever, and continued its flight (which was) without any deviation until it left my field of vision. I categorically reject the idea that it could have been a meteor, because astronomy is my hobby (? - mon violon d'Ingres) and I think I know how to recognize celestial phenomena."

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About 120 kilometers from Geneva as the kkkk flies, the resident of Lyon saw, on August 30, about 8:15 p.m., "an elongated mass like a short thick cigar, shooting from the east to the west." Mr. Tardy, who saw it, said, more precisely, that this "object was of a bluish-green color," and that "from the rear of it gushed a sheaf of sparks." The object disappeared "in the direction of Vernon Mountain" (du mont Vernon).

CHAS. REBER SERIES

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L'OISE-MATIN
BEAUVAIS

6 SEPTEMBRE 1954

DIABOLICAL "CROCKERY"

In the Sky of Oise where Saucers Have Been Reported

Appearances of unknown engines moving at considerable speeds are multiplying in the skies everywhere.

At Coudray-en-Theile two perfectly level-headed inhabitants, M. et Mme Diéval, saw an incandescent disc crossing the sky about 8:40 PM Monday evening. This ball, which according to our correspondant they estimated to be about the apparent size of the moon, seemed to fall suddenly and disappear. A third witness was found in the same locality.

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VAISSELLE DIABOLIQUE dans le ciel de l'Oise ou des soucoupes sont signalées

Les apparitions d'engins inconnus se déplaçant à des vitesses considérables se multiplient sous tous les cieux.

De Coudray-en-Theile (Canton de Beauvais) on signale par Méthy-Saint-Pierre-Madrid et (Compiègne) un « vaisselle diabolique » bouleverse les esprits et alimente l'information.

Au Coudray-en-Theile ce sont deux habitants parfaitement sains d'esprit, M. et Mme Diéval, qui ont aperçu, lundi soir, vers 20 h. 30, un « disque incandescent » descendre très vite du ciel.

« Cela devait avoir la dimension de la lune, estiment-ils, et il semblait tomber brusquement et disparaître. »

Un troisième témoignage a été recueilli dans la même localité.

A Méthy-St-Pierre, c'est M. Jean-Pierre Mourot et d'autres personnes dignes de foi qui aperçoivent dans le ciel de la vallée ce qu'ils estiment être les fameuses assiettes lumineuses.

A Hautvillers, dans la canton de Nivillers, deux habitants observent un phénomène identique : Un engin lumineux se déplace rapidement.

Puissent tous frontières. Au Autriche, des témoignages sont recueillis au Vorarlberg et au Tyrol.

Un disque rose, il aurait, de la grosseur de la lune mais évoluant lentement a été observé le 1er septembre entre 11 h. et midi par un guide et ses deux enfants, à proximité du massif de Habicht, au sud d'Innsbruck.

Cela n'est rien de comparable à un ballon-sonde de météo repéré au même endroit le lendemain.

Dans le Vorarlberg, c'est « un corps argenté gros comme une balle ».

Si l'on en croit le correspondant du journal madrilène « Arriba », ces mystérieux « vaisseaux » seraient des engins fabriqués aux Etat-Unis.

Selon notre confrère espagnol il s'agit de projectiles dirigés, d'avions sans pilote et de fusées supersoniques employés par les forces armées américaines.

Il est possible, ajoute le correspondant d'« Arriba », que certaines de ces soi-disant soucoupes soient fabriquées aux U.S.A.

Le journaliste espagnol ne dit pas la source de ses informations. Il promet cependant pour bientôt une description technique de « ces instruments diaboliques ».

Un témoignage, non moins sérieux, nous vient de Compiègne. Il émane d'un ingénieur de l'E.D.F., qui pendant plusieurs minutes put, en compagnie de quelques amis observer un phénomène identique.

PARIS-NORMANDIE
ROUEN
2 SEPTEMBRE 1954

FÉCAMP

FLYING SAUCERS REAPPEAR

Yesterday we expressed our doubt that we would ever see the sky of Fécamp ploughed by one of those craft called flying saucers; but we have been set right, for the phenomenon has now been observed there on several occasions.

Some fifteen witnesses, including a department head in the municipal administration, affirm that they observed these unusual appearances twice: the first at 8:44, when two objects were seen moving northwest of Fécamp. So luminous that they were momentarily mistaken for the riding lights of a ship, they soon showed themselves as ovoid bodies leaving a luminous train behind them.

After this first observation, made through fieldglasses by one of the witnesses, five of these "saucers" appeared again at 9:51 PM, west of Fécamp this time, and performed various movements in a curious "ballet" lasting for several minutes.

In closing it may be remarked that these objects had fuzzy edges and this characteristic may keep us from concluding too hastily that some human construction seeking publicity was responsible.

Les soucoupes volantes réapparaissent

Nous avions hier notre doute de voir jamais sillonner de tels engins par un de ces derniers, signalé par un de nos correspondants. Ce dernier nous avait déclaré que ces phénomènes volants ne pouvaient décemment se produire à plusieurs reprises.

Une quinzaine de témoins, dont un chef de service de l'Administration municipale, ont, en effet, affirmé avoir constaté à deux reprises ces apparitions insolites : la première à 20 h. 44, la seconde, deux heures plus tard, se déplaçant au Nord-Ouest de Fécamp. Ces engins, au point d'être parfois confondus avec les feux de position d'un navire, le lendemain apercevait une traînée lumineuse ovoïde semblant être traînée lumineuse ovoïde, au sens de leur marche.

Cette première constatation, faite à la jumelle par l'un des témoins, que de ces « soucoupes » apparaissent une deuxième fois à 21 h. 51, à l'Ouest de Fécamp cette fois, pour tracer, par des mouvements divers, un curieux ballet d'une durée évaluée à plusieurs minutes.

Précisons, pour terminer, que les contours de ces apparitions sont flous et cette caractéristique peut nous garder de conclure trop vite à la manifestation d'une œuvre humaine en quête d'une bizarre publicité.

DIABOLICAL "CROCHENT" (cont.)

At Méthéy-St.-Pierre, M. Jean-Pierre Mouret and other trustworthy persons perceived in the sky of the valley what they consider to be the famous luminous dishes.

At Hauviller, in the canton of Wiwillers, two residents observed an identical phenomenon; a luminous craft moving rapidly.

A rose-coloured disc of the size of the moon, manoeuvring slowly, was observed on Sept. 1 between 11 A.M. and noon by a guide and his two children near the Hafich massif, south of Innsbruck. It was not at all similar to a weather balloon sent up in the same place the next day.

In the Vorarlberg, "a silvery body the size of a ball" was seen. LUF. 81, 1954

If the correspondent of the Madrid newspaper "Arriba" may be believed, flying saucers are made in the United States...etc.

An observation comes to us from Compiègne. An engineer of the E.D.F., with several friends, was able to observe an identical phenomenon (identical to what? a luminous disc?--ADH) for several minutes.

GAZETTE de LAUSANNE

LAUSANNE

3 SEPTEMBRE 195[illegible]

VALAIS

Enfin de
une soucoupe volante ?

On nous écrit:

Monsieur le rédacteur,

En rentrant de promenade à Saas-Fee, le 31 août à 17 h. 55, mon attention fut attirée au-dessus de l'Allalinhorn, par une forme dans le ciel encore clair. Intrigué, je l'observai avec mes jumelles. Ce n'était ni une étoile, ni un avion. L'objet, sphérique au début, devint conique. Immobile, il longea ensuite latéralement, puis, après cela, il descendit verticalement, avec lenteur et disparut. La personne qui m'accompagnait eut le même vision, sans étonnement. A première vue, pensai-je sans le signaler.

Jacques-Edouard Chable.

We have received the following letter:

Coming back from a walk at Saas-Fée, August 31, at 5.55 PM, my attention was attracted to a star in the brilliant bright sky, above the Alphabel (a mountain!--ADH.) Interested, I observed it through fieldglasses. It was neither a star nor an airplane. A spherical object at first, it then became conical. At first it was motionless, then it moved laterally; finally it seemed to descend vertically at a rather slow speed, and disappeared. The lady who was with me saw the same thing, which at first blush seems strange enough to be worth reporting to you.

Jacques-Edouard Chable.

Rye (Sussex), England, Aug. 31, 1954

La Nouvelle Republique des Pyrenees, Tarbes, September 2, 1954

After Saucers, Flying Feathers!

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La Nouvelle République des Pyrénées
TARBES
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LA DÉPÊCHE DU MIDI
TOULOUSE
2 SEPTEMBRE 1954

Translation by Marian Johnson

From La Nouvelle Republique, Sept. 1, 1954

The Canadians give up hope of proving the existance of flying saucers

Ottowa, 31. -- M. Baldwin, assistant minister of Transportation, announced that his ministry was abandoning its efforts to prove(or refute) the existance of flying saucers.

The observation post at Shirley's Bay, 16 k. northwest of Ottowa, which had been established for this aim, has just been closed.

"Nothing, up to the present, in the observations of this post was justifying enough for new government expenses."

Mr. Wilbert Smith, engineer charged with the dept. of (measure) of the Transpt. Dept has recognized that the post has observed nothing since its construction last October.

Never-the-less, he himself has the intention of following the experiment.

N° de débit

LA DÉPÊCHE DU MIDI
TOULOUSE
1er SEPTEMBRE 1954

Le Canada se désintéresse des soucoupes volantes

Ottawa. — Le Canada a renoncé à prouver ou à réfuter l'existence des soucoupes volantes. Le ministère des transports vient de fermer sa station de repérage des « soucoupes » à Shirley's Bay, non loin d'Ottawa.

L'activité de cette station, a dit un porte-parole, ne justifie pas son maintien.

Créée en octobre dernier, elle n'a jamais observé quoi que ce soit.

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LA DORDOGNE LIBRE
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Un soldat canadien déclare qu'il a vu de près une soucoupe volante

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Naval authorities tonight confirmed that the objects had been recorded by radar at the Nowra Naval Air Station on the New South Wales Coast, according to the Melbourne Sun News-Pictorial.

Another Melbourne newspaper, The Argus, claimed the Navy report to be the "first authenticated information in the world on the existance of "Flying Saucers." (WOMITRB)

The pilot reported that about three months ago(Aug. 31, 1954) he was flying at 15,000 feet when two lighted objects flashed past him. The Nowra Radar Screen traced the objects until they disappeared. But Naval Officers said they had been unable to identify them.

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, Dec. 17, 1954 (Reuters)—Australian Air Froce investigators working in close secrecy have compiled a "fat file" on flying saucers, a spokesman said here today.

But the Air Force was reluctant to talk about the country's latest flying saucer sensation, in which Naval Radar tracked two fast, unidentified objects near Canberra.

An Australian Navy pilot, Lt. R. O'Farrell, was flying a Sea Fury piston-engined fighter north of Canberra on the night of August 31, 1954, when two vague shapes shot past him.

Wanting to confound wardroom "raggers" who would scoff at a flying saucer report, O'Farrell asked for a radar fix. The operator told him the screen showed three aircraft flying together, one of the presumably being the Sea Fury.

The pilot then reported what he had seen, and the radar operator tracked the supposed saucers until they flew out of range.

Immediate investigations showed that there were no other aircraft planes in the area at the time, and the "shapes" could not have been rockets from the Woomera Range, which is about 900 miles away.

Nothing might ever have been published about this incident but some reporters heard about it recently and it was immediately splashed across the front pages of Australia's newspapers.

The Air Force admitted today that it investigates all reports of flying saucers, and has a fat file of data; of O'Farrell's saucer, the spokesman said: "We are taking this one seriously."

SIGHTINGS:
1. AUG. 31, 1954 at BLUDENZ (VORARLBERG) AUSTRIA.
2. SEPT. 1, 1954 at INNSBRUCK, TYROL, AUSTRIA

L'INDEPENDANT
PERPIGNAN
5 SEPTEMBRE 1954

DES «SOUCOUPES VOLANTES» AURAIENT SURVOLÉ L'AUTRICHE

This also appeared in newspapers of Besançon & Toulouse (both on Sept. 6.)

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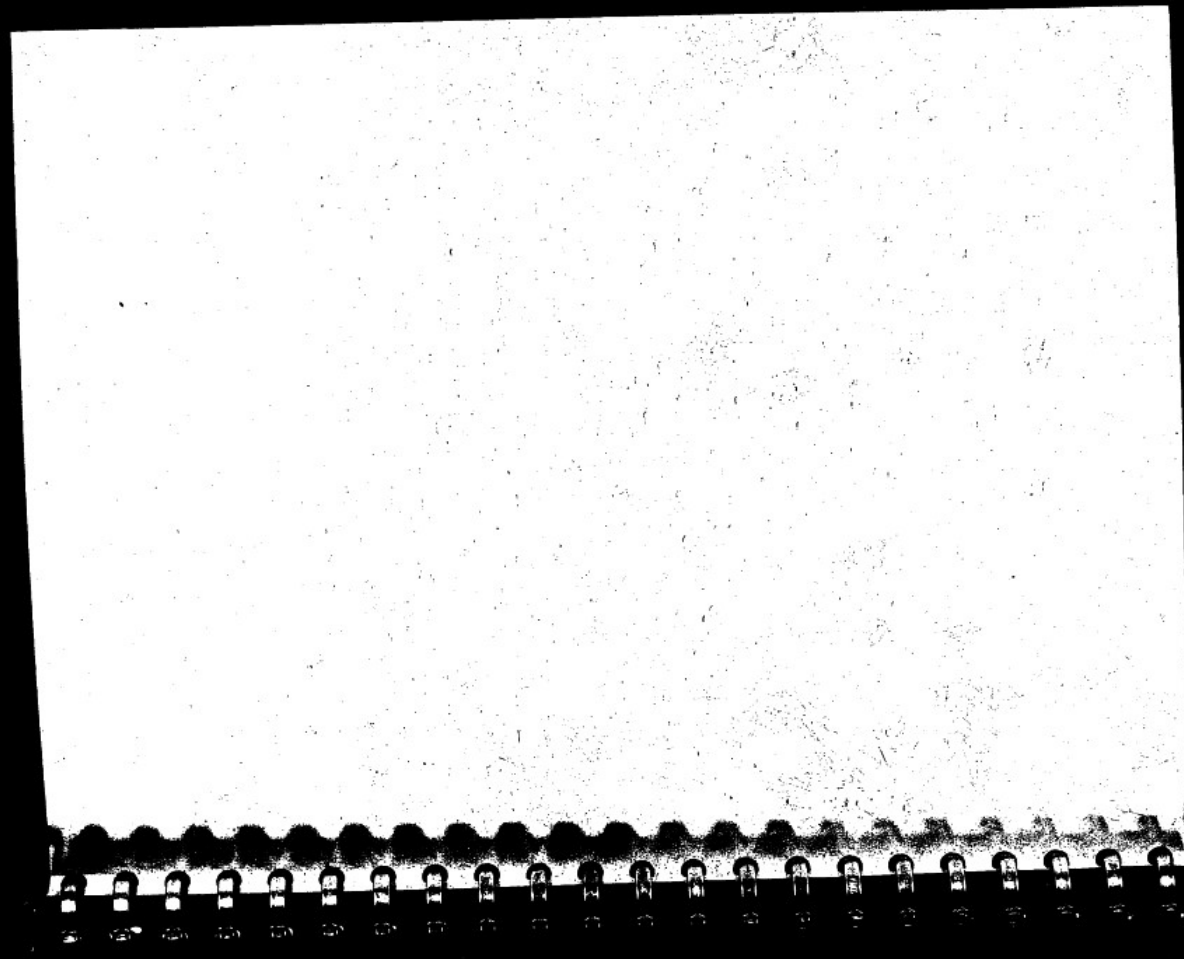

« ... sont des objets réels... »

Affirment dix membres de la Commission d'enquête australienne

DES AUSTRALIENS AFFIRMENT

Les soucoupes volantes existent...

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THE EVENING TI[MES]
SAINT JOHN NB.
SEPT. 16/54

Reach Conclusion Saucers Are Real

By JOHN STACKHOUSE

MELBOURNE (Reuters) — Ten flying saucer enthusiasts in Melbourne, who have spent a year investigating sightings of mysterious objects in the sky over the city, have reached the conclusion that flying saucers are real.

The 10 make up the self-styled Flying Saucer Investigation Committee. They are a banker, a journalist, four engineers, two clerks and two industrial engineers. Most of them are members of the Astronomical Society.

A year ago, these men, reading newspaper reports of lights in the sky, flying objects and the various things grouped under the collective title of "flying saucers," decided that they would investigate the phenomena independently.

They cross-examined 55 persons on what they had seen and reached their conclusions: One of the saucers was a balloon; four were meteors; one was drifting seed of Scotch thistle; two were jet aircraft; and 47 could not be explained.

Cigar-Shaped Objects

A spokesman of the committee said the 47 "unexplained" saucers broke up into four distinct groups:

1. Six were cigar-shaped glowing objects seen at night gliding in the sky.

2. Fifteen were "proper" flying saucers or discs, rotating bodies appearing in pairs. When seen low down the upper portion appears to rotate. This type have windows and small ball-like wheels underneath.

3. Six more were shooting "moons" — bright lights which flash across the sky, hover for a minute or so, and appear or disappear suddenly.

4. The largest class, with 20 sightings, were small hovering lights, which hang in the sky, then dash off at high speed. In daylight, their surfaces flash in the sun like highly-polished metal.

Convinced By Sightings

"It is much easier to say what these objects are not, than what they are," the committee's report states, "It is gratifying to note that of late the authorities are taking a more serious view of the whole matter.

"The committee is convinced that they have a definite, objective existence. They have been seen in too many widely separated places, at too many different times by too many sound and reliable witnesses to be disputed."

Innsbruck (Tyrol), Austria, Sept. 1, 1954 #1712 L'Independant, Perpignan, Sept. 5
Bludenz(Vorarlberg), Austria, Aug. 31, 1954 Also Toulouse papers of Sept. 6.

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(Translation by A. D. Mebane.)

July 1956

One copy: Dutch Study Circle Plativolo. mimeo. 7x9 20pages In Holland they call these things, these saucers, "vliegende schotels." This Plativolo is a rather nice sort of publication, as mimeos go, serious approach and all, but, dammit, they, too, take Uncle George serious. There were three reports given and I'll pass them on in their entirety, as follows:

Report from well-known painter, J.Spaling, of Heemstede (outside Amsterdam): "On 3 September 1954, about 2230 hours, my wife and I saw for 3/4 of a minute from atop my studio a luminous object which moved fast towards the NE. Object was circular, its center orange in color, with darker shades on outer circumference. Round about the object was luminosity also, strongest in the direction of travel. Object was not quite stable, as now and then a dark portion became visible on the side nearest us and again disappeared. Or, better expressed: an up-and-down motion. We were sure that object was mechanically propelled as the light pulses followed each other regularely."

Report from Mr. C. van Dijk of 's Gravenhage: this witness saw an 2 April 1956 at 0045, 0058 and 0105 hours in the west green or lightgreen beams of light of differing widths. This night a cold front passed with rain; northwind at force 3 and 5. The green light bundles shot down from the low-hanging clouds, went on and off. They consisted of a very thick bundle, followed by a thin one and again by a very wide and thick one. Observed at 240 deg and 251 deg (due W 270 deg) That they were navigation lights or from a buoy, is unlikely to observer, as he never saw them before or after. Mr. van Dijk is observer for some observatories (weather?stars?birds? trans.) As he looked outside at 0045 hrs the rays of light were already visible. Since his visibility was XIX cut/off by a row of houses he could not make out whether the light might perhaps also originate from below, i.e., ground or sea. He observed the light beams always in the same location. (Stoic Dutchman, that. If he had never seen the likes before why didn't he go for a little walk? trans.)

Report from Mr. C van Dijk of 's Gravenhage: (same as above? trans) 27 October 1954, time 1905.30 hrs (note that half minute! trans) Location: The Hague, Suezkade. Not daylight anymore. Sun already set. Some stars visible but no light from moon. The object was lighter than the background, of solid structure with outlines clearly defined. Speed estimated at 1,800 km/h. Color: glaring blue. Suddenly, object was gone. He saw object from his house. Observer wears glasses. Object disappeared towards N at 349 deg. Spread clouds. Light breeze from W. Temperature: 14 deg C. No rain at sighting. Estimated distance observer from object: 20km. Object was light blue with blue ring and behind object fell three white sparks.

(thorough, ain't he?)

Also received Waltrambote No 8/9 Jul/Aug 56

Obersuessbach (Bavaria), Germany, Sept. 2, 1954 Le Soir, Marseille, Sept. 4, L'Intransigeant, Paris, Sept. 4.

FLYING SAUCERS In Bavarian Sky #1713, 1714

Munich, Sept. 3 (AFP)-- A flat machine of circular shape, with "fringed" edges, was seen yesterday morning over Obersuessbach (Bavaria) by some hop-pickers, the DPA reports.

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MARSEILLE
4 SEPTEMBRE 1954

SOUCOUPES volantes dans le ciel de Bavière

MUNICH (A.F.P.). — Un vaisseau [illegible] survolé [illegible] par [illegible] habitants [illegible] de Munich, [illegible] rapporte l'agence D.P.A.

L'instituteur du village, qui avait aperçu le premier l'engin, a affirmé que celui-ci se déplaçait à grande vitesse d'est en ouest. Tous les témoins [illegible] unanimes à déclarer qu'il ne [illegible] aucun bruit, et qu'ils ne pouvaient avoir été victimes d'une illusion d'optique.

D'autre part, les autorités américaines procèdent actuellement à une enquête pour vérifier les dires de certains habitants du village de [illegible] qui déclarent avoir vu [illegible] voler à très haute altitude de drôles de cerfs-volants.

Ceux-ci auraient décrit à environ cent mètres du sol et de leurs enveloppes se [illegible] déclenché [illegible] ressemblant à des [illegible] d'insectes.

SIGHTINGS SEPT. 9, 1954 OBERSUSSBACH BAVARIA, GERMANY.

This also appeared in newspapers of Besançon, Tarbes, Paris (*L'Intransigeant*)

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Au-dessus de Marseille

Avant-hier, de 20 h. à 20 h. 07, trois personnes ont vu une sphère de lumière s'arrêter 30 secondes et décrire dans le ciel une boucle élégante

La sphère lumineuse telle que la virent les habitants du cours Pierre-Puget

Marseille va-t-elle devenir la capitale internationale des soucoupes volantes ?

Depuis plus de deux mois, les « visions » se succèdent avec une rare fréquence. Nos colonnes de correspondance nous ont longuement écrit pour nous affirmer qu'il y a effectivement « de la soucoupe dans l'air ».

Chaque semaine, avec une régularité désolante, un spationaute égaré nous apporte des clichés — d'une netteté criante — du phénomène supersonique.

On pourrait même, bientôt, instituer un championnat de France des « regardeurs » de soucoupes.

Dans une telle compétition, les Marseillais posséderaient avoir leur chance...

Mais, laissons-là, la facile moquerie et tâchons de garder une attitude sereine dans l'âpre controverse qui s'engage entre les « visionnaires » et les autres, ceux qui, farouchement, ont les pieds et... les yeux sur terre.

Comme une étoile fantastique

C'est donc de la manière la plus objective possible que nous allons rapporter un témoignage sérieux. Sérieux parce qu'il émane d'une personnalité sérieuse. Un homme qui, jusqu'ici n'est pas classé parmi les plaisantins a vu, mardi soir, de 20 h. à 20 h. 7, une soucoupe volante, évoluer au-dessus de la ville, lentement comme un promeneur, s'arrêtant 30 secondes et traçant sur le « plafond » une boucle lumineuse, comme une étoile qui pourrait avoir des velléités de compétition. Il n'était [illegible] heures, exactement [illegible] administrateur de l'Institut scientifique, 21, cours Franklin-Roosevelt, exactement coure Devilliers.

Nous avons bavardé près d'une heure hier, avec M. Guibert. Nous pouvons attester de la sincérité de son accent. Il a réfléchi avant de parler. Il a pesé ses mots. Il ne nous dévore. Laissons-lui donc la parole :

Trente secondes d'arrêt et une belle boucle

« J'habite route Franklin-Roosevelt, dans un immeuble dont les fenêtres sont respectivement orientées Sud-Sud-Est et Nord-Nord-Est.

« A 20 heures précises, alors que la Dame mon journal dans ma chambre, ma femme qui fermait les volets m'appela. Elle se trouvait alors sur la terrasse de la façade Nord. Elle me désira voir. Il l'est en, une sorte d'étoile abnormalement grosse, couleur rouge vermillon, étincelante de lumière et se déplaçant lentement.

« Je m'approchai à mon tour de la fenêtre et vis moi-même le phénomène, à 45 degrés environ à mi-chemin de l'horizon et du zénith. Effectivement, la boule lumineuse avançait. Je n'en pouvais croire mes yeux, je pris une paire de jumelles.

« Je vis distinctement « l'objet » plus distinctement. Parti de plein Nord, il progressait lentement, environ un degré par seconde, et continua en courbe. Soudain, il descendit [illegible] de plus en plus grosse (par la pleine) et repartit dans la même direction, pour disparaître à l'horizon, sans [illegible] ni bruit. Silencieusement, semble-t-il.

« Ma femme, moi-même et mon fils Francis, âgé de douze ans, avons observé la course de « l'engin » pendant exactement [illegible] minutes, chronomètre en main.

La sphère de lumière bouscule sur son axe

« J'ai observé, au vitrex », au fur et à mesure qu'elle passait dans mon champ visuel.

« Je l'ai vue, grâce à mes jumelles, grossir peu à peu, leur cœur sur son axe. Enfin je n'ai plus aperçu qu'une sphère de lumière, devenant de plus en plus intense.

« Mais le noyau de la soucoupe — si soucoupe il y a — semblait extraordinairement.

« J'ai longuement étudié l'art de la céramique et je m'intéresse évidemment aux couleurs. Le rouge est devenu plus intense, rouge vermillon. A ce moment, j'ai trouvé ce rouge vermillon éclatant, presque corrosif pendant; à une température [illegible] centrale de 700 à 800 degrés.

« L'espace d'un éclair, le phénomène a pris une couleur blanche, incandescente, équivalant à une température de 1.200 à 1.500 degrés. Ce sont-là, si vous me permettez, les termes que j'aurais moi-même employés. Et je remarque déjà que j'ai [illegible]

« Ma femme, mon fils et moi-même [illegible] Après avoir [illegible] le passage d'un météore [illegible] l'atmosphère, pourquoi cette lenteur d'exécution, cet arrêt de trente secondes et cette grande boucle élégante décrite dans le ciel ?

« Avons-nous été les victimes d'une vision collective ?

« Je ne le pense pas. Ma femme, vu la proximité de notre ménage, aurait [illegible] si à la [illegible] elle n'avait [illegible] même enthousiasme.

« Nous livrons notre relation aux spécialistes de la question. »

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7 septembre 1954, de 20 h. à 20 h. 7, un objet lumineux a paru dans le secteur Nord du ciel de Marseille... soucoupe ou météore bizarre ?

Le témoignage que nous venons de citer, s'ajoute à cet événement authentique, de nombreux savants et aviateurs de tous les pays.

Les sceptiques ont encore le droit de douter, mais personne ne peut plus nier le fait qu'il y a quelque chose d'inexplicable, sinon, d'anormal, dans l'air.

Jean-Marcel PAVEL.

LE PROVENÇAL
MARSEILLE
#1719
9 SEPTEMBRE 1954

Marselle, France, Sept. 7, 1954 #1719 Le Provencal, Marseille, Sept. 9

STILL ANOTHER FLYING SAUCER OVER MARSEILLE

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(Translation by A. D. Mebane)

ON SEPT. 7, 1954

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Le Nouveau Nord-Matin
DUNKERQUE

9 SEPTEMBRE 1954

Briefer version appeared in newspapers of Nantes, Rodez, Tours, Malhouse, Vannes, Lille (mostly on the 10th.)

On lit dans le « Courrier Picard » :

Telle est la nouvelle qui nous est parvenue à la fin de l'après-midi de mardi, nouvelle que les intéressés de l'événement eux-mêmes nous ont confirmée.

Cette information ne manquera pas d'engendrer un scepticisme bienveillant compréhensible, mais les deux hommes qui « ont vu » l'engin nous ont fait des déclarations concordantes en tous points.

Donc, rapid matin, M. Emile Bénard, qui est âgé de 37 ans et exerce la profession d'ouvrier maçon, sourd de Devillers, à Achères-la-Forêt, avait quitté son domicile à bicyclette pour se rendre à son travail à Lésigny-Ecuillé. Il était accompagné par son voisin, M. Yves de Gilbert, 32 ans, demeurant route de Mortcerf-Guibert à Achères-la-Forêt.

Tous deux roulaient paisiblement lorsque vers 7 heures 15, alors qu'ils avaient traversé Marcoussis et se dirigeaient vers Corbeil, leur attention fut attirée par un gros engin qui dans un mouvement fantastique, à 500 mètres environ et à droite de la route.

— On aurait dit une sorte qui n'était pas terminée, nous déclare M. Bénard que nous avons trouvé un milieu de la famille dans le courant de la soirée.

— Oui, et le disque flottait quelque peu irrégulièrement, ajoute M. de Gilbert, que nos parents était allé chercher chez lui à notre demande.

Bénard et deux hommes montrent de leur machine et, en comptant n'engagèrent dans les champs en direction de l'engin.

Plus rapide que son compagnon M. Bénard a distancé quelques pas.

En se rapprochant, nous dit-il, je me suis rendu compte qu'il était de couleur gris-noir et il semblait avoir une hauteur de quatre ou cinquante...

— Et il oscillait quelque peu, précise M. de Gilbert...

— Exactement, nous en avons quelque chose comme ça.

— Absolument tous, nous nous sommes les deux hommes.

Et tous deux prirent avoir remarqué sur le point de l'engin une sorte de queue plus large que haute, mais longue.

— Arrêté pendant une dizaine de minutes, nous dit M. Bénard, lorsque je vis l'appareil qui s'élevait en diagonale, repartant qu'une fumée s'échappait par une sorte de tuyau placé dans la partie basse.

Le groupe formé à cette intéressante de peine de passer. A ce moment, il abandonna le diagonale et prit ascension au pourpoint verticalement et à une vitesse.

Pendant quelques instants, nous l'avons suivi des yeux. Au fur et à mesure qu'il montait, on l'apercevait de plus en plus difficilement et il finit par disparaître.

— Quelle est été à ce moment, vos impressions, demandons-nous ?

— Que voulez-vous, nous dit M. Bénard, on est resté là, la bouche ouverte...

— Moi, je n'avais qu'une idée : monter sur mon vélo et ne m'arrêter le plus tôt possible.

— J'étais encore ambiant, ajoute M. Perlman, depuis ce fameux phénomène nous avons d'ailleurs, puis j'ai quitté mon travail précédent. Depuis, nous sommes retraités, comme nous disent en partie dans les journaux.

— Peuvent, tenez dit-on, comprendre que nous n'en revenions pas encore et qu'il y a bien d'être interrogés quand on voit une telle chose !

Comme nous interrogeons M. Bénard pour savoir ce qu'il avait fait et poursuivant sa course le deux arrêt après de l'appareil, il nous déclare :

— Je voulais savoir ce que c'était car j'étais intrigué par mon beau point. Je ne peux dire si je me serais heurté à la cheminée mais j'aurais peut-être tenté de voir de plus près.

— Et moi, pour ma part, nous dit M. de Gilbert, je n'y serais pas touché et cet appareil ne me disait rien du tout...

Au sujet de leur déclaration les deux hommes nous ont précisé qu'ils avaient la conviction de décrire un engin inconnu de ce qu'ils avaient vu à des aviateurs de Lésigny-Ecuillé. Ils nous ont dit également qu'ils avaient été à gendarmerie. Dans le courant de la journée, MM. Bénard et de Gilbert ont été interrogés longuement et séparément. Ils ont été rendus à l'évidence qu'ils avaient aperçu l'appareil. Ils avaient dans n'a pu [illegible] la nuit.

[illegible] gendarmerie, à Athènes le même [illegible] observé sur la commune dans par le deux hommes d'Achères-en-Hurepoix, et l'on semble se garder d'infirmer ou de confirmer, tout bénévolement ce qui demeure pour tous un mystère.

Néanmoins, les déclarations des deux hommes sont nettes et précises, nous ne [illegible] à leur intégrité [illegible] ce [illegible] ont été faites.

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DESCRIBING SAUCER TAKE-OFF from field near Amiens, Yves de Gillaboz (*left*), Emile Renard point to sky where they saw "Martian machine" belching puffs of smoke as it vanished from sight. July, Sept 7, 1954 7:15 a.m.

RADAR
Sept. 26, 1954

GILLABOZ & RENARD: AN INVERTED PLATE

Amiens.--Yves de Gillaboz (left) and Emile Renard point out the direction taken by the flying saucer which they caught landing. While going to work, in a roadside field they saw a big cupola, shaped like an inverted deep dish. They ran toward it. They could easily perceive its colour--"dirty grey", they declare--and its dimensions--10 meters by 3. It was oscillating on its base, but was emitting no sound. On the surface appeared a closed door, which was wider than it was high. Before they were able to get close to it, the machine rose diagonally, a thick black smoke escaping from a pipe on its underside. It climbed thus to a height of 15 meters, then rose vertically, at a noticeably increasing speed. The two men, thunderstruck, followed it for a moment with their eyes. The police, on being notified, found no suspicious marks at the indicated place. But the seriousness of the two men was not questioned. Moreover, Mr. Robert Chovel and his family, near Hirson, saw during the night-time a luminous disc resembling the Amiens saucer.

Contay France, Sept. 7, 1954 Le Nouveau Nord-Maritime, Dunkerque, Sept. 9, 1954

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LIBERATION
6, Boul. Poissonnière-IXe
14 SEPTEMBRE 1954

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Il voulut alors couper la fuite aux deux étranges personnages, mais un habitat de forme carrée s'ouvrit dans la masse sombre posée sur la voie. Un rayon vert en jaillit et M. Dewilde fut, pétrifié, paralysé sur place. Lorsque le projecteur s'éteignit, il retrouva enfin sa liberté de mouvement, mais les deux « Martiens » étaient remontés dans leur appareil qui s'était élevé du sol à la verticale. C'était une machine ayant la forme d'une cloche à fromage, haute de 3 mètres, d'un diamètre de 5 à 6 mètres, qui disparut rapidement vers l'ouest.

La police de l'air a enquêté, mais n'a relevé aucune empreinte sur le chemin parcouru par les « Martiens ».

On s'est gaussé un peu.

L'AURORE
3, rue Louis-le-Grand - IIe
13 SEPTEMBRE 195[illegible]

YNT

Un habitant du Nord affirme avoir vu les deux passagers d'une soucoupe volante...

Récemment, dans la Gamme des Pyrénées, des voyageurs [illegible] ont vu des [illegible] Martiens. Aujourd'hui, [illegible] affirme avoir vu les deux passagers d'une soucoupe volante...

From the Public Ledger, Baltimore, Md., Sep. 15, 1954 #407

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But when he ran out for a closer look, Marius De Wilde says, a bright light seemed to paralyse him and the strange machine made a clean getaway.

DeWilde, 34, says he was reading a book quietly in his kitchen Friday night when his dog became aware of the invaders and began to bark.

He peered out of the window and saw a "black mass" of some kind on the nearby railroad line. When he hurriedly flicked on his flashlight he saw two little creatures about three feet tall, but with wide shoulders.

He described the men as having legs, but no arms, and big "space helmets" on their heads.

When he ran toward them, a bright green light from the machine temporarily blinded him, DeWilde declared. "I seemed to be paralysed," he told police. He described the "saucer" as something like a "cake cover", about eighteen feet in diameter.

The steelworker said the last he saw of the craft was a cloud of black smoke hissing out as it rose into the air, leaving a bright glow behind.

Police said they found burn marks where the "cake cover" is said to have landed, but they could find nothing to back the latest flying saucer story.

SAUCER SCRATCHES on railroad tie were circled in chalk by Marius Deville of Quarouble who carries the tie home to preserve proof of the rust-coloured flying contraption he saw land on tracks.

SEPT. 10 1954 10:30 PM

Valenciennes.--That night, in his little cottage at Quarouble, 9 km. from Valenciennes, Marius Deville was reading in his magazine the story of the Abeille, for he is a former seaman. Suddenly, his dog began howling like mad without any apparent reason. Deville left the kitchen to calm the dog. Marius lives in the house of a former railway crossing-tender. He took his flashlight, which showed him, on the tracks, a sort of shed, of a rusty colour, whose dimensions he estimated at 3 meters by 7. Steps on the road; he turned the flashlight on the walkers. They might have been taken for smugglers bending under heavy loads. But a more attentive examination showed that they were not more than 80 cm. [31"] tall, and lacked arms. A swollen "diving suit" enveloped them, and a helmet with a porthole covered their heads. Marius ran after them; they fled toward the craft. A trapdoor opened and a greenish light stopped the inquisitive human. Stupefied, he did not see how the craft took off. But an immense volume of black smoke escaped from it as it rose vertically.

[Small picture at lower right of box]: Valenciennes.--Serge Delhaye and his friend Xaverlotte saw it too. A quarter of an hour before Deville, they observed the passage of a bright-red mass which in a twinkling became light pink, then white.

[Picture at left of box]: On one of the railway ties, a chalk circle has been drawn around the marks of the landing. These are indentations about 2 cm by 5. They enter the wood at a 45° angle, as would be true of a metal supporting leg. It should be mentioned that Marius's dog has been terrorised ever since that night.

Samedi-Soir, Oct. 14, 1954. (From "La Grande Farce des Martiens")

SEPT. 10, 1954 QUAROUBLE (Pas-de-Calais) FRANCE

#407

... jouent au petit train

Quarouble (Pas-de-Calais), vendredi 10 septembre 1954, 22 h. 15.

MARIUS DEVILDE, 34 ans, ouvrier aux Aciéries de Blanc-Misseron. Il se trouve dans sa cuisine. (Il aurait intéressant de savoir ce que lisait [illegible] au magasin.) Au premier étage, Mme Devilde et son fils viennent déjà depuis un instant. Tout est calme. Seul le tic-tac de l'horloge et le ronronnement du poêle troublent le silence.

Soudain, Marius Devilde lève la tête, attentif. Au dehors, Kiki, son chien, aboie furieusement comme lorsqu'un étranger pénètre dans la maison. Qui peut bien être à cette heure? Certainement pas un visiteur... Alors? Un rôdeur, peut-être, ou un contrebandier? Marius Devilde prend une lampe électrique et sort, ouvre la porte de sa porte. L'air frais de la nuit le frappe au visage. Pendant quelques secondes, ses yeux, tout accoutumés à l'obscurité ne distinguent rien. Puis, au-delà de la haie qui sépare le jardin de la voie de chemin de fer, il aperçoit une masse sombre, comme une charrette abandonnée sur les rails.

« Tiens, pense Marius, un paysan a dérapé sur le verglas. Il faudra que je préviendrai le père pour qu'on l'enlève, ça pourrait causer un accident. »

Pendant ce temps, Kiki veut la croire soudain à s'étrangler de fureur. Marius Devilde pense la moyen de se lancer et dirige la portée lumineuse vers l'endroit où le chien aboie. Il aperçoit [illegible]

A trois ou quatre mètres de lui, sur la chemin qui passe devant la maison, deux petits hommes marchent l'un derrière l'autre vers la masse sombre aperçue par le voisin. Ils sont petits [illegible] (Celui des deux qui marche devant tourne la tête vers Marius Devilde qui a l'impression de se trouver en présence de deux scaphandriers extrêmement large d'épaules et dont les casques jettent des reflets métalliques.

Quelques heures après Marius Devilde, de Quarouble (Pas-de-Calais), a vu, lui aussi, deux « Martiens », à peine, aux proportions près ce « rayon gardiennent ». Lui aussi a voulu, après coup, prendre un gardien à témoin.

D'abord empêché, Marius avait vu la porte du jardin pour couper la route aux inconnus. Alors, dans la brume soudain [illegible] sur le sol, s'ouvrit une [illegible] de forme carrée d'où jaillit un rayon vert qui se posa sur Devilde. Aussitôt, l'homme fut paralysé, vissé [illegible] aux jambes, les [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Pendant plusieurs [illegible] il est ainsi incapable [illegible] aucun mouvement, puis [illegible] le projecteur éteint, et Marius retrouve l'usage de ses membres. Il se rue vers l'engin, mais il est trop tard. Avec un sifflement et une épaisse fumée noire, la masse sombre s'élève dans l'espace en se balançant légèrement. On dirait une sloche à ironage lancée de trois mètres et de cinq à six mètres de diamètre. La sloche monte... monte... Elle prend une

TWO HELMETED SPACEMEN PLAYING CHOO-CHOO TRAIN

Quarouble (Pas-de-Calais), Friday, Sept. 10, 1954, 10:15 PM.

Marius Deville, 34, a worker at the Blanc-Misseron steelworks, was reading a magazine in his kitchen. (It would be interesting to know what was in that magazine.) On the floor above, his wife and child had just gone to bed. All was quiet.

Suddenly he lifted his head: outside, his dog Kiki was barking furiously as if a stranger were in the yard. Someone at this hour of the night? Certainly not a visitor--perhaps a thief or a smuggler? Marius Deville took a flashlight and stepped out on his doorstep. For some seconds his eyes, not yet dark-adapted, could perceive nothing. Then, beyond the fence separating his garden from the railway line, he made out a dark mass, like a cart abandoned on the tracks. "Oh-oh", he thought, "some peasant has come unharnessed on the railway. I must notify the station to haul it away, that could cause an accident." Kiki meanwhile, off to his right, was still choking with fury. Marius Deville directed the beam of his flashlight in her direction, and saw:

Three or four meters from him, on the road in front of the house, two beings were walking in single file toward the dark mass on the tracks. They were tiny--not over a meter (39") tall. The one walking in front

turned his head toward Dewilde, who had the impression of seeing two little men, extremely broad in the shoulders, wearing helmets of metallic appearance.

At first stupefied, Marius ran toward the garden gate to cut off the unknown beings. At that, a square window opened in the dark mass on the railroad tracks, and a green ray shot out at Dewilde. The man was instantly paralyzed, frozen in place; his legs refused to obey him. For several seconds he was incapable of movement. Then the projector suddenly went out, and Marius recovered the use of his muscles. He hastened toward the machine, but it was too late. With a hissing sound and a thick black smoke, the dark object rose in the air, wobbling slightly. It might have been called a cheese-cover three meters high and five or six meters in diameter. The object continued to rise, acquired a red-orange colour, and disappeared toward the west. Marius Dewilde and his Martians entered into legend.

As in the Mazaud case, the police inquiry--this time by the Air Force police, became a flying machine was involved. Evidence of a landing on the railroad tracks was sought--and found. Five scratches on the ties. One of the inspectors declared: "An aircraft that landed on extensible legs would leave no traces other than these."

Marius Dewilde had once been suffered a cerebral injury which, it seems, resulted in certain nervous troubles. Perhaps a psychiatrist would have had some questions to ask; but this hypothesis was not investigated. No one submitted the witness to cross-examination, intended to bring to light contradictions or implausibilities in his testimony. For what right would anyone have to do so? Marius Dewilde is no criminal nor madman. He menaces no one's security. He did not call the police. Like any French citizen, he is perfectly free to tell what he saw or what he thought he saw and to give what account he pleases of events he claims to have witnessed. But in these circumstances, what becomes of scientific truth?

M. Marius Dewilde désigne pour les enquêteurs la soucoupe et ses occupants tels qu'il les a vus.

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CORRÈZE: MAZAUD: A 3-METER CIGAR

Uzsel.--Antoine Mazaud, a peaceful farmer of Dugeat, on the Millevaches plateau in Limousin, was returning home with his spading fork over his shoulder. On the path leading to his farm, a stranger advanced toward him. On his head was a helmet, rather like those worn by prudent motorcyclists, but earless. This personage, who was squat and of good-natured appearance, came up to Antoine and held out to him a large palm ending in five very human fingers. Then he left the path. Antoine followed him with his eyes and saw a craft like a fat cigar about 5 meters long. The stranger entered it and took off vertically (as in the Nord and Somme cases) "with no more noise than a bee would make."

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On September 10, in south France, M. Antoine Mazaud reposed he had been approached by a small creature wearing a "crash helmet." After kissing him in true French style, the strange being climbed into a cigar-shaped machine and soared away.

Ainsi va le monde.

Mars... ou rêve !

...What if M. Mazaud of Dugeat (Corrèze) really did receive the kiss of a Martian? Our incredulity would look pretty silly...

The more so since there is another witness, in the person of M. Frugier of Limoges. At the very same time when the affectionate interplanetary meeting of Dugeat was ending, he saw a red disc cross the sky from east to west. Now, Limoges is northwest of Dugeat, and northwest was the direction taken by the mysterious craft, according to the farmer of Corrèze.

There is more than one point of similarity here.

(The remainder of the article leaves this topic and is purely facetious.)

Un cigare de Martien havait survolé Limoges

LIMOGES, 15 septembre. — Un habitant de Limoges, M. Georges Frugier, 30 ans, déclare avoir aperçu, le 10 septembre, peu après 20 h. 30, effectuant le trajet d'est en ouest, un disque rouge qui laissait échapper une traînée bleuâtre.

Or, le jour et l'heure de cette observation coïncident avec [illegible] rapporté par le cultivateur de Dugeat (Corrèze), M. Antoine Mazaud, qui affirme avoir eu une conversation avec le passager d'un « cigare volant ».

M. Frugier [illegible] de famille du spectacle dont il avait été témoin, mais il demeure [illegible] sceptique.

Cependant, la publication dans la presse, ce matin, de l'aventure survenue à M. Mazaud impose une [illegible] : Limoges est en effet au nord-ouest de Dugeat, direction prise par le mystérieux engin, d'après les déclarations du cultivateur.

Translation by Ted Bloecher, Oct. 20, 1954

From Paris-Presse, September 16, 1954 #1722

Limoges, 15 Sept. - An inhabitant of Limoges, Mr. Georges Frugier, 30, declares having seen on Sept, 10, a little after 8:30 p.m., plowing through the sky from east to west, a red disc which left a bluish trail.

Now, the day and hour of this sighting coincide with the strange meeting of the farmer of Dugeat(Correze), Mr. Antoine Mazaud, who claims to have had a conversation with the passenger of a "flying [redacted] cigar."

Mr. Frugier told his family of the spectacle which he'd been witness to, but he remains skeptical.

However, the publication in the press this morning of the adventure befalling Mr. Mazaud, imposes a comparison. Limoges is situated northwest of Dugeat, the direction taken by the mysterious device, according to the statements of the farmer.

Le Martien débarque

Mouriéras (Corrèze), vendredi 10 septembre 1954, 19 h. 15:

ANTOINE MAZAUD vient de lier sa dernière botte d'avoine. Il rongit que la nuit tombe déjà bien vite en cette saison et qu'il a bien fait de travailler tard pour terminer avant les premières gelées. D'un coup de reins, il ajuste la bretelle de sa musette et, sa fourche sur l'épaule, casquette rejetée en arrière, il se dirige à grandes enjambées vers le hameau situé environ à deux kilomètres.

C'est un solide gaillard, le père Mazaud. Il a beau avoir cinquante-huit ans, on en trouverait peu comme lui pour cultiver cette terre aride du plateau de Millevaches, où les genêts et la bruyère poussent mieux que le blé. Il fait presque nuit, mais ce chemin creux, bordé de fougères, il en connaît les moindres pierres, les moindres ornières. Il presse le pas, car il craint d'être en retard pour la soupe. Justement, voici le raccourci qui,

Antoine Mazaud, de Mouriéras (Corrèze), est le premier Français qui ait vu un « Martien ». Très ému, sans doute, par la même occasion. Le brave cultivateur a reconstitué devant un gendarme la scène du « baiser interplanétaire ».

à travers la lande, conduit à sa ferme. Il s'y engage, fait cinquante mètres et, soudain, s'immobilise. A trois pas devant lui, le long d'un buisson, se profile une silhouette inquiétante.

Antoine Mazaud, cependant, n'a aucune raison d'avoir peur. Tout le monde a le droit de se promener sur le plateau, même à huit heures du soir, et ce ne serait pas la première fois que Mazaud rencontrerait un braconnier en revenant de son champ. Et pourtant, le fait est là : Antoine Mazaud a peur. Inexplicablement peur.

Quelque chose lui dit que l'homme n'est pas d'ici. Il ne peut distinguer ses traits, mais ses vêtements sont de couleur sombre et sa tête, qu'il tient obstinément baissée, paraît enserrée dans un casque comme ceux que portent les motocyclistes. Il est de petite taille et il se balance sur lui-même, sans dire un mot.

Dans sa paume calleuse, le père Mazaud serre le manche de sa fourche. Si l'inconnu lui veut du mal, il trouvera à qui parler.

Quelques secondes s'écoulent, puis soudain, l'homme tend la main. C'est un signe de paix évident. Mazaud tend la sienne. L'inconnu s'avance, toujours en baissant la tête. Il prend la main de Mazaud, la serre fortement et, attirant vers lui le cultivateur, il l'embrasse. Sidéré, Antoine Mazaud se laisse faire et vient à peine de réaliser ce qui lui est arrivé que déjà l'inconnu s'éloigne à grands pas sur la lande. Toute la scène a duré une minute et ni l'un ni l'autre des protagonistes n'a prononcé une seule parole.

Encore sous le coup de la surprise, Antoine reprend machinalement sa route :

— *Je craignais une nouvelle rencontre de ce genre, qui, peut-être, aurait été moins pacifique*, dira-t-il plus tard.

Mais à peine a-t-il parcouru vingt mètres qu'il voit « la Chose », ou plutôt il entend un léger bruissement qui le fait se retourner. A une cinquantaine de mètres de lui, un engin de forme allongée, brillant faiblement, mesurant environ de quatre à cinq mètres de long, s'élève doucement du sol et prend peu à peu de l'altitude.

Après avoir passé sous la ligne électrique qui borde la route de Tarnac, « la Chose » disparaît dans la nuit. Antoine Mazaud, de Mouriéras (Corrèze), va devenir l'homme de l'événement.

Il raconte l'affaire à sa femme, d'abord, puis à son fils, qui est instituteur à Bort-les-Orgues. Bientôt tout le village est au courant et, de fil en aiguille, le cas du père Mazaud parvient aux oreilles de la brigade mobile de Tulle, qui dépêche sur place le commissaire Bernard, des renseignements généraux. A lui comme aux autres, Antoine Mazaud ne peut que répéter ce qu'il a dit : l'homme... le baiser... la Chose...

Sur place, les enquêteurs ne découvrent rien. Aucun indice d'atterrissage, aucune trace. Avant même d'avoir commencé l'enquête est blogués aux déclarations d'Antoine Mazaud. Le mystère reste entier.

Telle est la manière dont a été relatée l'aventure de M. Mazaud. Cette histoire paraissait assez surprenante pour justifier l'intérêt passionné du public et faire pousser des clameurs de triomphe à ceux qui considèrent les soucoupes volantes comme des engins interplanétaires.

Une enquête locale a tout de

Le mystère n'est peut-être pas aussi impénétrable qu'il le paraît, mais saint Thomas ne serait peut-être pas de trop pour l'éclaircir.

SEPT. 10, 1954
MOURIERAS (CORRÈZE)
FRANCE.

Samedi-Soir, October 19, 1954.
(From "La Grande Farce des Martiens.")

Mourieras (Correze), France, Sept. 10, 1954 Samedi-Soir, Oct. 14, 1954

The Affectionate Martian (From "La Grande Farce des Martiens.")

Antoine Mazaud had just finished binding his last oatsheaf. "Darkness falls early by the time of the year," he thought... Fork on shoulder, he strode off toward the village, about two km away. A solid chap, Mazaud; his 58 years notwithstanding, there are few to equal him in cultivating the dry land of the Millevaches plateau, where heath and broom flourish better than wheat. It was almost dark, but he knew every pebble of the sunken road edged with ferns. He hastened his steps, fearing to be ~~xx~~ late for soup; reached the shortcut to his farm across the fields; followed it for 50 meters, then stopped. Three paces in front of him, beside a thicket, rose a queer silhouette.

However, he had no reason to feel alarmed; everyone has a right to walk on the plateau, even at twilight, and this would not be the first time Mazaud had met a poacher as he returned in the dusk. Yet the fact is that he felt inexplicably afraid.

Something told him the man was a foreigner. He could not make out his features, but his clothing was dark in color; his head, which he kept bowed, seemed to be covered with a sort of motorcyclist's helmet. He was of small stature, and stood teetering without saying a word.

Mazaud gripped his pitchfork...if the stranger turned ugly, he would find he'd caught a Tartar. Some seconds elapsed--then, all of a sudden, the man extended his hand, in an obvious gesture of peaceful intentions. Mazaud replied in kind. The stranger advanced, still with lowered head; took Mazaud's hand and shook it vigorously; and, pulling the farmer toward him, embraced him. Thunderstruck, Mazaud permitted it, and had hardly realised ~~it~~ what had happened before the other was departing rapidly across the ploughland. The whole scene lasted a minute, and neither of the protagonists had uttered a word.

Still stupified with surprise, Antoine automatically resumed his homeward course. "I was afraid of another encounter of the same kind--maybe less pacific this time," he said afterwards.

But he had hardly covered 20 meters when he saw "the thing", or rather he heard a slight whirring noise that made him turn. Some 50 meters away, an elongated craft, weakly luminous, about 4 or 5 meters in length, was gently rising from the ground and slowly gaining altitude. After passing beneath the electric wire along the ~~xxxx~~ Tarnac road, the "Thing" disappeared in the night.

Antoine Mazaud of Mourieras was to be the man of the hour.

He told of the affair first to his wife, then to his son, ~~x~~ schoolmaster at Bort-les-Orgues. Soon the whole village knew of it; and the case came to the ears of the Tulle mobile police brigade, which sent commisaire Bernard to investigate. To him as to others, Mazaud could only repeat what he had already told: the man, the kiss, the Thing.

On the spot, the investigators found nothing: no footsteps, no indication of a landing. The mystery remains a mystery.

...The story would seem astonishing enough to rouse cries of triumph from those who consider flying saucers as interplanetary vessels; yet a local investigation revealed some rather strange details.

"The being whom I met was short-statured," said M. Mazaud. And he added later: "He kissed me without raising his head." Antoine Mazaud stands 180 cm (5'11") tall; it would seem rather difficult for a short person to kiss him without raising his head.

"Darkness prevented me from seeing the stranger's face," he says; yet it did not prevent him from seeing ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ certain details of costume, such as the motorcyclist's helmet.

"The machine passed underneath the electric wires," he affirms. But from the place where he was, at that time of day, he would have needed the vision of a hawk to be sure of such a detail.

In conclusion, it seems that certain points of precise ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ observation have crept in later to become incorporated in the witness' story. Is this surprising, since a cloud of people have snowed M. Mazaud under with their questions and forced him to repeat his story more than a hundred times?

Who has grilled Antoine Mazaud to ellucidate the absolutely irrefutable facts? Perhaps the mystery is not so impenetrable as it would appear....

SOUCOUPES !

LES FRANÇAIS SONT-ILS DEVENUS FOUS ?

Nos envoyés spéciaux et nos correspondants particuliers ont interrogé à travers la France ces témoins...

Ce spinalien au visage tourmenté et néanmoins juvénile désigne dans le ciel un objet qui fit dans sa vie une brève apparition : — 18 h 30. La nuit tombait. Je traversais le pont sur la Moselle à Épinal. Soudain, j'ai vu dans le ciel un engin ayant la forme d'un melon qui traversait le ciel d'est en ouest comme un boulet.

Ainsi parla Jacques Tollot, 14 ans, qui travaille chez M. Thouvenot charcutier...

Le même jour, et les jours suivants, d'autres braves gens voyaient dans tous les coins de France d'autres " engins " sillonner le ciel. Le Tour de France des soucoupes volantes était commencé...

— TOUT ce que je peux dire, c'est que ça avait une queue... Ainsi résuma son témoignage Mme Chatelin (ph. 1). Mme Chatelin a 60 ans ; elle est employée aux usines de chaussures André, métier qui ne prédispose pas aux troubles imaginatifs. Et pourtant, elle aussi, elle a vu une soucoupe volante.

— J'habite Norville (S.-et-O.), dit-elle ; je rentrais d'une réunion syndicale. Dans le ciel, au-dessus du château, j'ai vu une lune deux fois plus grosse que la vraie. En plus, elle avait une queue. Je me suis pincée pour m'assurer que je ne rêvais pas : l'engin a eu une espèce de soubresaut. Puis il a émis des flammes et a disparu...

Mme Vasseur, qui habite 25, rue Sénart, à Montgeron, n'avait rien vu. Mais son fils, Marcel, qui a seize ans, a soudain poussé un cri :

— Maman, a-t-il dit, il y a le feu...

Mme Vasseur s'est précipitée à la fenêtre de la salle à manger :

— C'était, précise-t-elle, moins

VOIR AU DOS

SAUCERS!

Have The French Gone Crazy?

Our reporters and special correspondents have interrogated witnesses all over France, and here is the result: #1752

This Épinalian with the worried and yet juvenile countenance (right) points out the position in the sky of an object that made a brief appearance in his life. "It was 6:30 PM; night was falling. I was crossing the bridge over the Moselle at Épinal. Suddenly, I saw a melon-shaped object in the sky, travelling from east to west with the speed of a bullet." So spoke Jacques Tollot, 14, who works at the pork-butcher shop of M. Thouvenot.

The same day (what day?--ADM), and on following days, other good folk were seeing other "ships" plough the sky in all parts of France. The flying saucers' Tour of France had begun.

"All I can say is, it had a tail." Thus MMe. Chatelin (photo 1) summed up her testimony. Mme. Chatelin, 60 years old, is employed at the André shoe factory, not a trade which predisposes one to excessive imagination. Nonetheless, she saw a flying saucer.

"I live in Norville (Seine-et-Oise)"she says; "I was returning home from a union meeting. In the sky above the château I saw a moon twice as big as the real one. Besides, it had a tail. I pinched myself to make sure I wasn't dreaming. The machine did a sort of somersault. Then it shot out flames and disappeared."

Mme. Vasseur ~~(photo 2)~~, who lives at 25 Senart street, Montgeron, saw nothing. But her son, Marcel, 16, suddenly cried out "Mama, there's fire." Mme. Vasseur ran to the dining-room window. "It was lower than the stars", she states, "and smaller than the moon. But it was round and white. The object remained motionless, then it descended to rooftop level. Through field glasses, I could see that it had green and red lights (as in "The War of The Worlds.")

These two observations (Mme. Chatelin and Mme. Vasseur) occurred on the same day; September 22, 1954, at 7:35 PM.

At about the same period, lights coursing through the sky of France were disrupting the peaceful existence of other good people.

Mme. Genillon, a teacher at Saint-Calude, noticed that her pupils seemed unusually inattentive.

"What's the matter with you?"

"It's just that we saw a ghost last night", answered young Raymond Romand, 12 years old. (Photo 2.)

The police and Mme Genillon's husband made an investigation and did not know what to think. Little Raymond was unshaken in his statements:

"It was last Monday. (Date?) We were teasing Janine (9 years old) in the barn. She was acting funny. "I saw a ghost! It made no noise." We looked out: I saw the machine. One might have thought it a big lump of sugar;(the conical shape in which sugar is sold in Europe is probably meant-ADM) it was no taller than I am. I threw pebbles on it; then I tried to get close to it, but I was knocked down on the ground and felt very cold."

The next day, M. Genillon, wanting to satisfy his mind about it, checked up on the boys' story and observed that at the place where the boys claimed to have seen the "sugar lump", the grass was crushed, and that a pole put up by vacationers had the bark torn off for 15 cm at a height of 150 cm (4'11".) (Photo 3.)

Strange objects from the sky were reported everywhere. At Diges, in l'Yonne, Mlle. Gisèle Fin (photo 4), of Monchenot, who was walking her goats, saw a grey and maroon ship, about one meter high. A door opened in the right side of the craft, and Mlle. Fin saw a pilot in almost black clothing, wearing a helmet, emerge. He wore shoes, but she did not see the colour of his skin.

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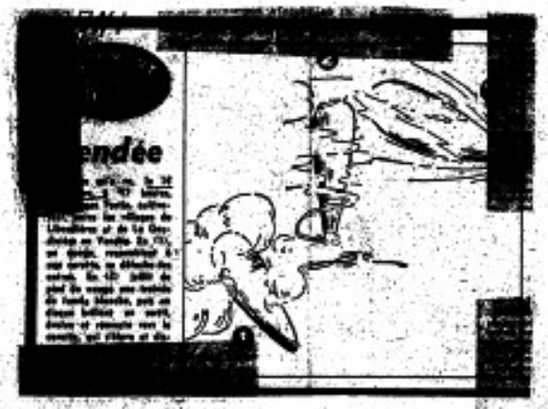

This is what M. Georges Fortin, a farm worker, saw on Sept. 14 at 5 PM, between the villages of L— & La G—, in Vendée.
① A saucer-shaped cloud emerged from other clouds.
② A trail of white smoke jetted out from the base of the cloud; then a brilliant disc emerged, maneuvered, and reentered the cloud, which ③ then rose up and disappeared.
30 other people saw this together with M. Fortin.

Louis Moll, 47, dishwasher at Oberdorff (Saar frontier) had a strange vision Sept. 13, a little after 9 P.M. He saw in the sky a ray of luminous fog which slowly turned red and became elongated. It then stopped a few moments, before rising vertically, with a sinusoidal movement and no sound. Then it took off horizontally, this time round in shape.

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This diagram does not seem to correspond very well to the text, which does not assert that the object landed, or that it became cylindrical. A sinusoidal motion is ∿∿∿, not ⌒⌒⌒.

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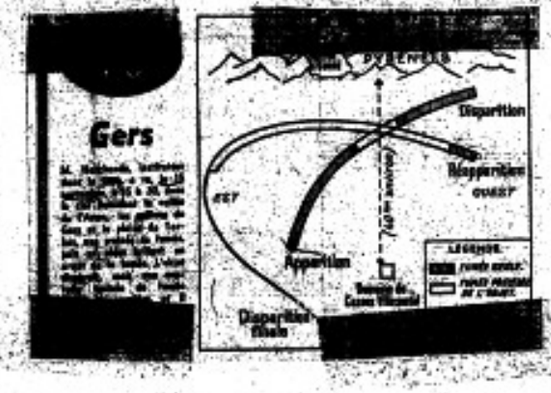

On Sept. 15 at 3:30 PM, M. Hébrards, a schoolmaster of Gers, saw a smoke-trail in the sky above the Arros valley, the Gers hills and the Tarbes plain. Then a brilliant object was seen in front of the smoke. This disappeared, but then it reappeared leading a second smoke-trail which crossed the first. Suddenly it made a fantastic jump, and disappeared toward the northwest.

"Numerous other Temperature reports will be found on p.11" (notarbs.)

From abroad hundreds of reports indicate that this new surveillance covers the entire globe. In 1954 low-flying UFO's set off panic in several countries, among them France, Italy, Morocco, and Venezuela. On September 15, at Bihar, India, a flying saucer suddenly descended to a height of 900 feet and hovered over an Atomic Energy Commission mine. Eight hundred frightened Biharis fled into their homes, as a sadhu warned them the object was "something from Heaven." After its close-range observation of the mine, the disc-shaped machine disappeared in a swift, vertical climb.

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(For Wall, See p. 2)

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There 6 honest French citizens saw things in the sky. M. H— points out the ridge over which a mysterious machine flew; Mlle. P— [not shown] describes the celestial craft; M. R—R, a butcher of St. F— [redacted] was the principal witness of a saucer appearance; M. A—P—, same town, gesticulates in imitation of the motions of the saucer; Mme. G—, of Dèges, saw a bullet-shaped craft on the [redacted] offers to reconstruct on it, piped on to wooden[illegible]

UN ENGIN MYSTÉRIEUX

en forme de «demi-cigare» a survolé l'Italie

Il a été vu par des milliers de témoins et détecté par le radar

☛ Suite de la première page

Pendant quarante minutes, un objet brillant demeura à la vue de tous dans le ciel. Certaines personnes disent qu'il était immobile, d'autres affirment qu'il se déplaçait. Or les services du commandement militaire de l'aéroport de Ciampino à dix-sept kilomètres de la capitale, s'aperçoivent le « demi-cigare volant » et l'observent de 20 h. 45 (G.M.T.) à 21 h. 20 (G.M.T.), heure à laquelle il s'éloigna en direction sud-ouest vers la mer. Interrogés par les journalistes, les chefs de ce service confirmèrent le phénomène : le « demi-cigare » volait à une altitude estimée à 1.200 mètres et à une vitesse d'environ 900-280 kilomètres-heure. Laissant derrière lui une traînée de fumée lumineuse qui sortait de la pointe arrière, à un certain moment, il fit une espèce de chute de 400 mètres, puis reprit de la hauteur en passant de la position horizontale à la position verticale supradanis.

Le commandant militaire de Ciampino alerta le station militaire de contrôle de Poulice di Mare, un petit village situé au bord de la mer à une trentaine de kilomètres de la capitale et qui est doté de radar. Les observateurs de Poulice di Mare réussirent à capter pendant une vingtaine de minutes l'engin dans le champ du radar : ils purent même noter l'existence d'une sorte d'antenne au milieu de l'engin mystérieux.

Il ne peut s'agir d'un bolide

L'observatoire astronomique de Monte-Mario n'a rien vu. Il n'y a à cela rien d'étonnant, puisque ses télescopes sont braqués vers des régions très supérieures de l'atmosphère. Les astronomes estiment de toute façon qu'il puisse s'agir d'un bolide : aucun corps céleste n'aurait traversé le ciel de Rome ce jour-là.

J'ai interrogé deux témoins oculaires qui ont purement et simplement confirmé les faits notés par le commandement militaire de Ciampino. J'ai pu interroger en outre ce soir le lieutenant d'aviation Bruno Giustiniani qui était de service vendredi dernier.

— Le OAV.-MX-1-II répondit-il à la fois incompréhensible et jusqu'ici inexplicable. L'objet évoluait, apparemment à basse altitude, et semblait de temps en temps s'éclairer et s'éteindre de manière parfaitement irrégulière pendant de longues minutes. Il dégageait une lumière très brillante de couleur argentée. C'est tout ce que l'on peut dire.

Je remarquai qu'on aurait pu être en présence d'une manifestation de la foudre, ainsi que l'entendait récemment un astronome allemand.

Le lieutenant Giustiniani parut fort sceptique :

— La foudre qui se matérialiserait pendant quarante minutes dans un même champ visuel, immobile, tantôt en mouvement. Ce phénomène n'apparaît impossible.

Aujourd'hui dimanche, une autre « soucoupe » a été signalée dans la région de Nerano (Haute-Adige). Une trentaine de personnes de cette ville ont déclaré avoir vu évoluer au-dessus du Mont Nétumo ; cette montagne a 2.000 mètres de hauteur. Il s'agissait cette fois d'un disque lumineux tournant sur lui-même de gauche à droite le long d'une trajectoire exactement horizontale.

Que penser de tout cela ? Lors du congrès international d'astronautique auquel les principaux savants du monde entier prirent part à Rome, il y a deux ans, l'astronaute en chef de l'aéroport avec une question sur les soucoupes volantes : moi n'y croyait. Les météorologistes, en revanche, accordent les calligraphies, la vigne de rencontrer M. André Viaut, directeur de la météorologie française, qui se trouve actuellement dans la Ville éternelle à l'occasion du congrès de géophysique et de géodésie. Il n'affirme ni ne dément la possibilité d'existence d'engins [illegible]. Il admet l'hypothèse d'engins propulsés d'une façon encore inconnue de nous. A propos des « petits hommes » qui auraient été vus par certains témoins alors qu'ils sortaient de l'appareil, M. Viaut, d'un ton de voix calme et réfléchi, dit que, étant donné les dimensions restreintes des soucoupes volantes, on est peut-être amené à croire des équipages de petite taille.

Mystère et perplexité...

Maurice Montabré.

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UN ENGIN mystérieux *en forme de «demi-cigare»* A SURVOLÉ L'ITALIE

A ÉTÉ VU PAR DES MILLIERS DE TÉMOINS ET DÉTECTÉ PAR LE RADAR

(De notre envoyé spécial
Maurice MONTABRÉ)

Rome, 19 septembre. — L'Italie, à son tour, a reçu la visite des « soucoupes volantes », ou plutôt du « demi-cigare volant », s'il faut se référer à la forme de l'engin qui a été vu par des milliers de personnes, parmi lesquelles des militaires appartenant aux services d'observation aéronautique.

Disons tout de suite que si la présence de l' « objet mystérieux » est incontestable, sa nature n'a pu être identifiée et qu'aucune conclusion ne saurait être tirée de l'observation du phénomène.

Voici les faits.

Vendredi après-midi à Rome, de nombreux badauds avaient le nez en l'air : « Une soucoupe volante ! — Non, on dirait plutôt un demi-cigare ! »

(Suite page 2, col. 6, 7 et 8)

From Le Figaro (Paris), Sept. 20, 1954.

MYSTERIOUS "HALF-CIGAR"-SHAPED CRAFT FLIES OVER ITALY

Seen By Thousands, And Detected By Radar

#395

(by Special Correspondent Maurice Montabré)

Rome, Sept. 19.-- Italy in its turn has been visited by "flying saucers", or rather, if one must refer to the form of the craft, by a "flying half-cigar". It was seen by thousands of persons, among them military officers belonging to the aeronautical observation services.

It should be said at once that although the presence of the "mysterious object" is incontestable, its nature has not been identified, and that no conclusion could be drawn simply from observation of the phenomenon.

Here are the facts:

Friday afternoon, numerous strollers had their noses in the air: "A flying saucer! No, rather a half-cigar!" During forty minutes, a brilliant object remained in the sky in the view of all. Certain persons said it was motionless, others affirmed that it was moving. The facilities of the military command at Ciampino airport, 17 kilometers from the capital, noticed the "flying half-cigar" and observed it from 4:45 to 6:28 PM (GMT), at which time it moved off in a northwesterly direction toward the sea. When questioned by reporters, the officers in charge confirmed the phenomenon: the "half-cigar" was flying at an estimated altitude of 1200 meters (4000 feet) and at a speed of about 260-280 km/hr (170 mi/hr) leaving a trail of luminous smoke, which emerged from the rear. At one time it seemed to fall 400 meters, then regained altitude, changing from a horizontal position to one of vertical ascent.

The military commander at Ciampino alerted the military surveillance station of Pratica di Mare (a small village on the seacoast some 30 km from the capital), which has radar equipment. The Pratica di Mare observers were successful in holding the craft on their radar screen for about twenty minutes; they were even able to note the existence of a sort of antenna on the middle of the mysterious vessel.

The Monte Mario astronomical observatory saw nothing. There is nothing surprising in this, since its telescopes are trained on the highest regions of the atmosphere. In any case, the astronomers rule out the possibility that a bolide might be responsible; no celestial body crossed the sky of Rome on that day.

I have interrogated two eyewitnesses, who have simply confirmed the facts as reported by the military command at Ciampino. This evening I was also able to question aviation lieutenant Bruno Giustiniani, who was on duty last Friday.

"The fact", he told me, "is both indisputable and, as yet, inexplicable. The foreign object, as we may call it, was capable of moving, and also of remaining perfectly immobile for periods of many minutes. It emitted a very brilliant silvery light. That is all that one can say."

I remarked that perhaps the object was some sort of lightning phenomenon, as a German astronomer recently speculated. Lt. Giustiniani appeared exceedingly sceptical. "Lightning that remained in the same visual field for forty minutes, sometimes stationary and sometimes moving--such a phenomenon would appear to me to be impossible."

#1736 SEPT. 19 — Today (Sunday) another "saucer" was reported in the Merano region (Haut-Adige.) About 30 residents of this town stated they saw it maneuvering over Mt. Naturno, which is 2600 meters (8600 feet) high. In this case what was seen was a luminous disc turning on its axis from left to right as it followed an exactly horizontal trajectory.

What to think of all this? Two years ago, at the International Astronomical Congress in Rome, in which the principal savants of the whole world participated, I evoked general laughter with my question on flying saucers; not one believed in them. The meteorologists, on the other hand, are less categorical. I have just met M. André Viaut, director of French

meteorological services, who is at present in the Eternal City to attend the Geophysical and Geodetical Congress. He neither affirms nor denies the possibility of existence of flying saucers. He admits the hypothesis of craft propelled in a way as yet unknown to us. As to the "little men" supposed to have been seen by certain witnesses emerging from the machines, M. Viaut remarked in a calm and reflective tone that, in view of the restricted dimensions of the flying saucer, it might be advisable to choose crewmen of small stature.

Mystery and perplexity...

Maurice Montabré.

Eyewitness Sees Italy's 'Flying Cigar' Stop Still in Midair

By MICHAEL CHIGGO

ROME, Sept. 15—I saw the mysterious flying "cigar" which flew over Rome last night and which clearly registered for 20 minutes on radar sets in the area.

What attracted my attention was the strange sound the object emitted as it passed overhead. Previous reports of flying saucers have described them as emitting no sound.

The sound from this object was not the usual whine of a jet or the droning of an ordinary plane.

Rather it was like approaching thunder but with a staccato effect, a series of explosions that grew louder as the object sped closer.

This was followed by dead silence as the "thing" stopped or appeared to, at a height of about five to six thousand feet.

Suddenly it shot upward and left an exhaust trail of milky white smoke. It went straight up vertically into the sky. The air was perfectly still, and the smoke remained in a vertical trail.

There is some disagreement about the exact shape of the object.

The observatory at Ciampino initially described it as a "flying cigar" with a big antenna protruding.

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The Defense Department declared it as a "stepped cone" with a smaller surface on the bottom, or as two semi-circular disks, one bigger than the other, with the bigger one on top.

To me it seemed more like an inverted circle—off center. It was difficult to determine how fast it was going.

What was strange was the object's ability to "park" in mid-air for several minutes.

Frankly I thought it must be some Italian or Allied experimental machine or perhaps a British craft in view of reports of Britain's progress in new type of aircraft.

Air Force officials said they do not know whether Italy is experimenting with such a type of plane.

IGNORED BY COMMUNISTS

Popular opinion is that the weird object may have come from the Communist East, but the Communist and left-wing press in Italy ignored the story.

The Italian Defense Ministry meanwhile ordered the country's radar stations to be on the alert for signs of the object.

The radar station at [illegible] where picked up the "[illegible]" or "cone" on its screens [illegible] registered for 20 minutes.

Italy radar spots 'flying cigar'

ROME (AP)—The Italian Air Force announced today radar tracking of a "big cigar-shaped object" seen in the sky by thousands of Romans. The Air Force said an Italian radar station tracked the object for 20 minutes last night. The air force said the object flew slowly before making great speed to disappear.

The object reportedly was shaped like a cigar with a big antenna antidipo. A trail of smoke poured from the rear.

Thousands of Romans phoned police to report seeing the object. Many said the exhaust trail was luminous across the sky.

The air force reported that Station Fratica DiMare, 40 miles northwest of Rome, picked up the object at 6:40 P. M. local time. The Station told the object on its radar screen until 7:20 P. M.

The object flew at 3,000 feet along a 15-mile stretch of the coast west of Rome.

'Flying Cigar' Startles Romans

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Lackawanna Girl's 'Pen Pal' Tells of Saucers 'Bombing' Italy

Student, 15, in Florence Reports Rain of Glass Fragments on City When Discs Were Overhead

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Italian Skeptics Now Eat Words on Saucers

The Evansville Press, a Scripps-Howard newspaper, prints the following account of flying saucers in Italy. It was written by a former Evansville resident, now Mrs. James Hoyt II. She lives in Florence, where she is secretary to Harcourt Brace, art critic and writer. Her husband teaches in an art academy there.

By MRS. JAMES HOYT II

The saucers are flying thick and fast around here and many a skeptic is eating his words. [illegible] they're so accepted, they're [illegible] over Florence three days to a week on the ground, so [illegible] and we've managed to [illegible]

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Philosophic Comment

Florentines, [illegible] Florentine [illegible] going to prayer and the Fl[illegible] Carabinieri started [illegible] and instinctively. And the [illegible] that they are for, [illegible] halves from the roof of [illegible] newspaper offices. A phys[illegible] in the center of town say[illegible] and Carabinieri started [illegible] from the sky and with the [illegible] of a cloud curve and [illegible] emergency. Figured it must [illegible] were going about 1500 miles [illegible]

Thursday night in a [illegible] Carabinieri in the vicinity of Milan [illegible] around 10 o'clock, a man [illegible] coming from the meeting on his [illegible] was passing the [illegible] sports field and noticed a [illegible] of unanimous intensity. A [illegible] (pictured) sounds. He [illegible] back into the town to call [illegible] the police and described what he had seen.

A whole group of people were [illegible] back and later described figures [illegible] with white pants, gray jackets [illegible] helmets seemingly of transparent plastic. "The interior light of the disc enabled them to perceive a face of dark color with a notable prominence, that [illegible] called a little elephant' [illegible] breathing apparatus!" They tried [illegible] upon the game in the field, and also threw stones but oddly enough although the stones hit the disc they didn't make any sound being as [illegible] it they had [illegible]

[illegible] WORLD-TELEGRAM
New York, N. Y.

[illegible] SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 19[illegible]

(Sept 18, 1954): Rome, 17 sett. - A reddish body in the form of an enormous cigar cut in half crossed the sky of Rome today ... [Meetne Cinema & Pratica di Mare, but not Fiumicino.])

CORRIERE DELLA SERA, Milano – Sept. 18, 1954

Il cielo di Roma solcato da un misterioso "mezzo sigaro,,

Scartata l'ipotesi di un corpo celeste, si ritiene trattarsi di un'aeronave di tipo ancora sconosciuto

Roma 17 settembre, notte.

Un corpo rossiccio, dalla forma di un enorme sigaro, tagliato alla metà, ha attraversato oggi il cielo di Roma, compiendo una lunga traiettoria che è stata seguita dagli sguardi di migliaia di cittadini. Secondo i primi accertamenti, pare che non si tratti di un corpo celeste, ma che il misterioso visitatore del cielo di Roma debba essere una aeronave di tipo sconosciuto. Gli scienziati dell'osservatorio di Monte Mario hanno, infatti, escluso che il corpo che è passato su Roma possa essere un bolide. Essi ha compiuto la traiettoria a circa 1200 metri di quota, e quindi molto al di sotto della portata dei telescopi. Dalle descrizioni che ne hanno fatte i testimoni appare evidente ch'esso non ha nulla a che vedere coi bolidi celesti, che sono normalmente bianco-argentei, che filano ad altissima quota e non lasciano in cielo scie di fumo, ma solo tracce fosforescenti e sottili.

Questo misterioso corpo è apparso verso le 17.45 ed è stato subito visto dalla stazione di osservazione dell'aeroporto di Ciampino. Secondo i tecnici, che si sono offerti a stabilire la posizione con gli strumenti adatti, il « mezzo sigaro » viaggiava a velocità ridotta, a 200 gradi ovest di Fiumicino, lasciando una breve scia di fumo candido. Il fumo usciva dall'estremità più stretta di quello strano corpo.

Appena localizzata la posizione, il comando di Ciampino telefonava alla base aerea di Pratica di Mare, segnalando i dati ottenuti con gli strumenti e chiedendo altre notizie. I tecnici di Pratica di Mare, a loro volta, hanno messo in funzione l'apparecchio radar, cercando di intercettare la posizione del misterioso corpo. Questo, intanto, era ben visibile nel cielo di Roma e numerosi capannelli di persone col naso in aria ne seguivano l'itinerario e gli spostamenti.

A un tratto, secondo i tecnici di Ciampino, il « mezzo sigaro » è salito di 400 metri, ma ha subito ripreso quota, passando dalla posizione orizzontale a quella verticale. Appena ripreso la linea di volo, ha accelerato, scomparendo all'orizzonte. Proprio in quel momento, però — erano le 18.50 —, i tecnici di Pratica di Mare sono riusciti a localizzarlo con il radar nella nuova posizione, e cioè, prima nel cielo di Fiumicino, poi in una vasta zona a est di Ostia. Hanno, inoltre, osservato la forma precisa del corpo, pressochè uguale a quella descritta: è stato anche possibile accertare un'antenna situata al centro dell'estremità più larga del misterioso corpo.

Alle 19.28 il « mezzo sigaro » è uscito dal campo del radar ed è scomparso nel cielo.

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Romans Track 'Flying Cigar' On Radar Grill

ROME (INS) — The Italian air force announced early today that a big cigar-shaped object seen in the sky last night by thousands of Romans had been tracked on radar screens.

The air force said the object flew slowly before passing on a great burst of speed to disappear. The object was reported to have a large antenna midships and trailed smoke from the rear.

Many Romans, who flooded police headquarters with telephone calls, said the exhaust trail was luminous across the sky.

The air force announcement said that station Practica Di-mare, 25 miles southwest of Rome, picked up the object at 6:40 p. m., local time, and half an on its radar screen until 7:28 p. m.

The report added that the object flew at 800 feet along a 25-mile stretch above the Mediterranean coast west of Rome.

'Half Cigar' Crafts in Sky

Italy, Fall 1954

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18 Adriatic, within half an hour. (Lucas Hopp.)
19 Modena (#618), Florence (#619); frequent trains run at least until
20 Florence? (second); Lucas Hopp's "8 days in a row"?)
21 Poggioli (#633) Florence? (Lucas Hopp's 3d day)
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Italy, Fall 1954, p. 3.

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27 Tuscany a hair (#675) - coin-shaped obj, thin "grain cotton & meal particles"

28 Rome a hair (#674) - same obj; (+ 20 others trailing it?); discovered at Verona 1927, Modena 1830, Florence 1931 included Curc

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30 Rome (#396) white & grey discs, low alt, Via Veneto; at Borroglieri monument, traffic stopped

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11 UP fm Rome - "no fps today for first time in 2 mos - more than 400 rptd in Italy in 60 days" Aug 9 ltr pub. UP ltr pub.

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13 Ferrara (#1492)

14 Po valley (#1495) obj into Po R.

24 Taormina (#431) photo

28 train betw Naples & Rome (#1408)

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"OUMPH...GROBREZABRI...TROBOBRANAKA..."

Les Breloux (Vienne), Sunday, Sept. 19, 1954, 10 P.M.:

Yves David, a farm worker (it seems as though they are particularly favoured), was returning to his farm by motorcycle. He was rolling merrily along the Carnac-Tournevil road, with nothing to worry him but the fact that his headlamp had come unfastened and was pointing to the ground. Between Le Pouteroux and Les Rebotos, he slowed down, not caring to run into the ditch. Of course, when he did this his light dimmed, since the dynamo drew less power; if he stopped altogether he would have no light at all.

But this was just what he was suddenly obliged to do, for suddenly, right in the middle of the road, appeared "a helmet-wearer covered with metal." He stopped on the brake violently. The helmet-wearer, who stood about 150 cm (4'11") tall, advanced, and, like M. Mazaud's Martian, took Yves' hand. However, he was less affectionate, and did not embrace him. This was fortunate, since Yves felt a slight electric shock and a sensation of cold at his touch. On the other hand, the being spoke. His language, of course, was incomprehensible:

"Oumph...Grobrezabri...Trobobranaka!"

Then the helmet-wearer beat a retreat, bounding off toward a dark mass sitting on the road. Was Yves going to rush in pursuit of him, like Martin Dewilde? No, for, just as at Quarouble, a powerful green luminous beam shot forth from the craft and immobilized the unfortunate fellow in the posture in which he had dismounted, standing with the motorcycle between his legs and his hands on the handlebars. The machine then rose vertically, making no noise whatever, and the ray went out. Yves David could move again. The scene had lasted thirty seconds.

Under the seal of secrecy, Yves confided the affair to a friend, his wife, and his relatives. A week later everyone knew about it. The police and also the Renseignements généraux (something like PRI?) investigated. They took down the witness's statements.

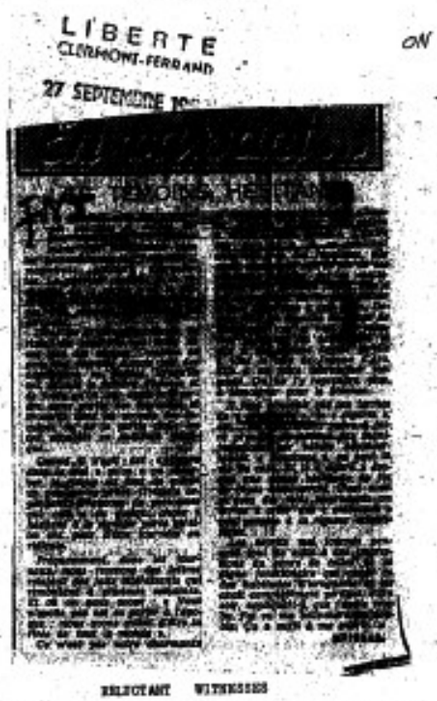
Today, writes our special correspondent, Yves David has become a[illegible] prominent/ in his community. Some days ago, when a circus came to Châtellerault, Yves was forcibly dragged to the podium where a well-known radio program was being recorded, to tell in detail of his meeting with the helmet-wearer of the flying saucer. It seems that he was warmly applauded.

No doubt nobody has ever thought to ask him whether he was aware of the previous adventures of MM. Mazaud and Dewilde, of which his own represents a rather striking synthesis. And even if one did... Can one require a man whom the whole country is talking about, and who addresses the world by means of the radio, to admit an exaggeration, if not an error? Put yourself in his place!

Extract from column by Paul Gordeaux in Journal du Dimanche, Sept. 26, 1954: (column devoted to brief accounts of recent saucer sightings)

...At Paris itself, the famous movie star Michèle Morgan, walking on the esplanade of the Invalides Tuesday night, reported seeing two strange luminous globes in the dark sky above the Eiffel Tower. Their weird appearance scared an old gentleman, who was also looking at the sky, into precipitate flight.

cf. the following.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ON SEPTEMBER 21, 1954
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RELUCTANT WITNESSES

In the flying-saucer field we are encountering a phenomenon well known to professional investigators...the difficulty of getting hold of witnesses. In the case of accidents and criminal cases there are plenty of excuses for this shyness... When it is a matter of seeing "signs in the sky", the risks are certainly less serious; nevertheless they exist. Many people who have "seen something" are reluctant to report it for fear of being ridiculed. We newspapermen frequently receive letters telling of interesting events several weeks old, containing the admission: "We did not dare mention it at the time, fearing to be a laughing-stock."

It is to be feared that our charming and illustrious compatriot-by-alliance,

Michèle Morgan, will contribute nothing to overcoming this timidity. The other night, about 7:15 PM, returning home near the Invalides, she clearly observed one of these celestial vehicles that have been so strangely multiplying recently. Unfortunately she told people about it. The press echoed it. After that, she was assailed by telephone calls day and night. "Jokers" asked her if she started having visions when she played Joan of Arc. Finally she had ~~xxxxxxxxx~~ to have her telephone disconnected. You won't get her to testify in the interests of science the next time.

It might be added that the terms "saucer", "cigar", etc., hardly contribute to the serious treatment of these disconcerting manifestations. "Saucer" has a café odour about it, and "cigar" evokes x postprandial beatitude...Thus imprudent words create an "atmosphere" scarcely propitious to scientific rigour.

Sept. 24, 1954

2 ★★ THE NEWARK STAR-LEDGER

THE RAGE IN FRANCE

'Saucer' buzzes Napoleon tomb

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PARIS (AP)—To be anybody at all in France these days you practically have to have seen a flying saucer, preferably one of the iridescent ones that change color like a juke box.

Being able to down gallons of champagne, or owning a slightly rundown chateau or even attending an opening at the theater hardly counts.

Flying saucers, and now flying cigars, are "sighted" practically daily by witnesses who are upstanding citizens, models of probity and sobriety and pillars of the community.

Latest to report the phenomena was movie star Michel Morgan who said she sighted a luminous disc hovering over the dome of Les Invalides, where Napoleon is buried. 1784

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"AN OLD man near me also saw it," Miss Morgan said. "But he ran away."

Rainbow flying saucers are the rage in central France where draughtsman Jean Besse said he watched one Friday night through powerful binoculars. He said it changed color three times in a few seconds. 9-17-54 1:15

At Le Puy, west of here, hotel owner Marcel Maillet said he saw an iridescent saucer changing color like a juke box. #1318

Louis Moll, a railway crossing guard at Oberdorff said he saw a saucer "land" last Sunday. SEPT. 19 1954

"It was about 7:15 P. M.," he said. "My eyes were blinded by a great luminous mass which seemed to touch the ground near the village of Tromborn. As it neared the earth, the color changed in what looked to me like Neon tubes. It was the shape of a small bus. #1329

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"IT TOUCHED the ground for about 40 seconds . . . Finally it flew off straight up in the air, lighted by an orange glow which changed to red. I heard nothing."

At Origny-en-Thierache, Robert Chovet, his wife and brother-in-law were driving along Tuesday night when, he said, they practically ran down a flying saucer. 9-21

"It hovered several meters in front of us," he said. "An enormous orange disc at just about tree level. It was immobile for several seconds and then swooshed straight upward with dizzy speed."

TIMES
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Metallic Giants Man 'Flying Cup'

LISBON, Portugal (UP)—Cesar Ferriera, a landowner in the mountains of northeast Portugal, said he didn't believe in flying saucers. But he told police he had seen a flying cup— complete with "two eight foot giants clad in pocketless metallic suits."

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Two weeks later, in the Guardunha Mountains in Portugal, three Portuguese peasants reported that a saucer had landed in a field nearby. According to the report, two small creatures in shiny metallic outfits climbed out and began to collect grass and stones. Seeing the three Portuguese, these space creatures motioned them to come closer. When the three men backed away, the metal-clad creatures boarded their saucer and rapidly took off.

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Pour le plaisir des amateurs d'histoires drôles

La "lunante" affaire des "soucoupes volantes" continue...

(A quand les tasses et les petites cuillers) !

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Il semble que la même hypothèse puisse suffire à expliquer le phénomène constaté tout après-midi, pendant quelques minutes, par quatre Arpajonnais de bonne foi qui virent planer à une certaine altitude, après deux minutes d'observation, l'engin se déplaça horizontalement et disparut.

For The Amusement of Lovers of Queer Tales--THE "RISING" AFFAIR OF THE FLYING SAUCERS CONTINUES. (When do we get the teacups and the teaspoons?)

...The sea-serpent has been dethroned by flying saucers...Of course, one turned up in our region too. Thus, Wednesday evening, Sept. 22, about 8 P.M., a woman living in La Norville saw in the sky a "round, luminous object twice as big as the full moon, stopping sometimes, then moving, until finally it fell to the ground." She communicated her "astral" observation to friends, neighbours, and co-workers in the André factory. Certain of these were able to confirm that she had not been dreaming--that they themselves had, etc.

Alas, one of them, unknown to her, thought he ought to tell one of the big Parisian newspapers about the phenomenon. The gossip columnist ~~xxxxxxxx~~ lost no time in printing an embellished story whose star was Mme. C--- of La Norville. She has told us that she would ~~xxxxxxx~~ have been glad to forego publicity of that sort.

We will not go so far as to certify hard and fast that no Martians, so dear to the science-fictionists, have come visiting our planet in comfortable "flying saucers." But perhaps the use of jet-assisted-take-off rockets at the Brétigny C.E.V. might be a sufficient explanation of the mystery?

It seems that the same hypothesis might explain the phenomenon observed Monday afternoon, for a few seconds, by four Arpajonnais residents of good reputation, who saw a gleaming sphere motionless at a certain height. After two minutes of observation, the machine suddenly moved horizontally and disappeared.

Les Soucoupes Semaine du Monde,
(Nov. 5 (or 8), 1954.

[Photograph showing dark spot (with suspicious-looking dart train)]

The negative, now under expert examination, does not seem to have been tampered with. It was taken by M. Jacques Baccard, radio-electrician of Grenoble. The son of an airplane observer, and at present the owner of a radio store (2 rue du Crepu, Grenoble), Jacques Baccard, 34, studies the sky in his spare time. Thus the first appearances of "flying saucers" held particular interest for him. This was in 1949. Collecting a group of technicians who shared his curiosity, he founded a research group, since merged with the "Commission internationale d'enquête." This organization has received several important reports from observers at Grenoble. Last year Baccard and several motorists observed a luminous disc on the Annecy road. More recently, the group saw an enormous ball of fire that manoeuvered for several seconds over the Moucherotte massif. Finally, when observing the moon with his little telescope, Baccard saw a dark body cross its face. Our [sic] researchers have suggested that this body may have been an artificial satellite. Encouraged by these successes, Baccard & his friends decided to force their luck by a systematic program of sky observation. Thursday, Sept. 24, he was on the balcony of his villa on the Eybens road in the suburbs of Grenoble, which he has transformed into a real little observatory. Installed between the measuring boards and the two high-powered fieldglasses used by the group, he had his camera, which he always carries, ready for instant use. The town was at the *heure du dîner* [sic] when the "thing" occurred, which explains the small number of witnesses.

"It was exactly 1h PM", he relates, "when my attention was attracted by a silhouette which had appeared in the gap that the Isère valley cuts between the Vercors & Chartreuse massifs. I took it at first for an airplane, an aircraft coming from the north use this passage. Scarcely 15 seconds later it was over the outskirts of Grenoble. Struck by this fantastic speed, and by the absence of motor noises, I took up the smaller pair of field-

One day in late September, as UFO sightings were increasing all over Europe, the British War Office received an incredible radar report. At noon on the preceding day a strange U-formation had appeared on a civilian radarscope. Counting the blips, the operator found the formation consisted of 40 or 50 UFO's, covering an area 12 miles long and eight miles wide. Flying west at 12,000 feet, the saucers changed with a precise movement from a U-formation to two parallel lines. A few moments later these lines broke and the UFO's reformed in a perfect Z.

Incredulous at first, the War Office and the Air Ministry started a routine investigation. It had hardly begun when the mysterious UFO's returned. As before, they arrived at noon over the same area. Like a well-trained aircraft squadron, they changed precisely from the first U-formation to parallel lines, then to the final Z before they disappeared.

At a score of War Office and Air Ministry radar stations, astonished operators fully confirmed the first report. Though the Air Ministry was sure these were no British aircraft, a quick check was made. In addition, British Intelligence agents on the continent searched for a clue to the mystery formation. But no one in Europe had seen the strange machines.

Up to then, each time radar had caught the objects over England, cloudy skies had hidden them from the ground. But the third appearance came on a bright, clear day. By now not only radar stations but RAF bases and jet patrols had been put on the alert.

As before, the familiar formation appeared at noon. Again the unknown craft separated into two parallel lines and then formed the huge Z. But this time the War Office made a startling discovery.

Though tracked perfectly on all radarscopes, the UFO formation was invisible to the human eye.

Even with all the official evidence, some members of the Air Ministry refused to believe the reports. All radar stations were ordered to recheck their equipment. When the equipments was found to be in order, Civil Defense plane-spotters and the RAF were ordered to maintain special alerts.

Four more times the mystery formation returned at noon, performing its strange maneuvers over the area. Each time ground observers trained binoculars on the area indicated by radar. Each time RAF pilots flying above 12,000 feet started down from their jets, looking for the unknown machines.

But all they could see was an empty sky.

For over a month this story was kept from the public. Then some of the details confirmed by the British War Office appeared in the London Sunday *Dispatch* under a six-column double-banner headline, "Strange Sights in Sky Baffle War Office."

Though the headlines mentioned "sights," this dramatic new story explained that the mysterious formation had never been actually seen.

"They are invisible to the human eye," a War Office spokesman told the *Dispatch*. "Every time, they have followed the same pattern, always around mid-day. All our radar sets in the area have picked them up."

Neither the War Office nor the Air Ministry could explain what the radar blips meant. But a careful check had shown they were not caused by any identifiable aircraft.

When the *Dispatch* asked what the objects could be, the War Office spokesman said he had been given top-level orders to "maintain the utmost secrecy."

Then he added, "Even if I did know what they are, I am too worried to say anything."

Of all the saucer reports this was one of the most baffling. Flying-saucer formations—usually V's—had been sighted several times. And in a few cases formations had actually changed—as at Hamilton Air Force Base in California, on August 3. On that occasion several discs which had flown in a circle were seen by Air Force pilots to take up a diamond-shaped formation.

But invisible UFO's—that was hard to believe. Had the story not been backed by the staid British War Office and reported by the highly reputable London *Dispatch*, I would have thought it a hoax.

Le Parisien Libere, Oct. 12, 1954, p. 11.

"A CIRCULAR MACHINE WITH METALLIC REFLECTIONS." On June 14, 1951, two French pursuit pilots, Prio and Gallibert, of Base 115(Orange), piloting a Vampire, gave chase at 10:47 a.m. to a machine with metallic reflections, of circular shape, which they described to their base over the radio. "It is going up at 1,000 kilometers/hour." (625 mph) After 6 minutes of flight they had to abandon pursuit.

France-Dimanche — no date!
(Oct 3/4 1954.)

[Much space devoted to Allingham's book. Ignoring this:]

① The Valensa saucer (left traces (in the corn). ON SEPT. 26?, 27, 28

Mme. Leboeuf (left) has still not forgiven herself for having been so frightened the other Sunday when, in a field of the commune of Chabeuil (Drôme), she saw "a man from another world." Instead of trying to approach him, she was so panic-struck that she hid behind a hedge with her head in her hands. The man was a short character, "like a boy done up in a cellophane bag"; he had a human face, but apparently no arms. When Mme. Leboeuf looked up again, no one was in sight. But she soon heard a noise in the cornfield in front of her, and saw a strange craft rise into the sky. It was perhaps 3 meters (10 ft.) in diameter and 60 cm. (2 ft.) thick. It flew on the bias for 100 meters or so, then tipped to a vertical position and rose vertically at terrific speed.

In the field pointed out by Mme. Leboeuf, traces similar to those left by an aircraft could be found (see photographs). Acacia branches were broken in the vicinity (photograph.) The drawing shows the respective positions of Mme. Leboeuf, the scarecrow-man and the "saucer."

② ③ Without knowing each other, they saw the same vessel from 400 km. apart. (250 miles) SEPT. 30

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400 km. apart, the same saucer was apparently seen by M. Cyprien Bacqué (above) and M. Georges Gatey (right.) For the drawings they made of the phenomenon show an astonishing similarity. M. Bacqué, an architect-engineer, saw the mysterious craft above Pau, at 10,000 meters altitude [6 miles], at the same time as thousands of Pau residents. M. Gatey, manager of a [illegible], saw it only 1 meter above the ground, at a distance of 15 meters, from a quarry near Marcilly-sur-Vienne, at the same time as his six men. M. Bacqué saw it at

11 A.M. on Sept. 30, and described it as a red sphere, from which four tubes protruded, maneuvering among stratus clouds. He observed it through a telescope for 45 minutes before it disappeared toward the west. (Sept. 25) M. Gatey saw the machine, motionless, eight days ago at 4:30 P.M. In front of the saucer was a little man 150 cm. [4 ft. 11 in.] high with a leather helmet and boots. (Illustration.) A ray paralysed the witness. The man reentered his machine, which rose by little jumps and disappeared. M. Bacqué and M. Gatey do not know one another.

[In my opinion, there is not much similarity between these saucers. Gatey's tale is so pat that it may be suspect. —A.P.M.]

(4) The mayor saw a cigar.

M. Raoul Laurent is the mayor of Saint-Dizier. Last Wednesday (Sept. 29), about 8 P.M., when he had just left the city hall, he saw in the stormy sky a bright light moving at high speed. He could plainly distinguish an elongated, cigar-like shape, leaving a luminous train. The craft must have been at an altitude of several km.

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(5) ...the butcher a cylinder.

Gilbert Prudent, a butcher of Res-de-Vernay (Saône-et-Loire) had the greatest fright of his life last Sept. 29. Coming home on his bicycle at 11:20 PM, he saw on the road, 20 metres in front of him, a cylindrical machine 4 or 5 metres long giving off a bright red light. (See his drawing above.) The young man came to a violent stop; the craft disappeared, with a slight hissing noise.

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(6) ...the farmer a jar.

At 10:20 PM on Sept 19, M. David, a farm worker of Beloux (near Poitiers) was returning home on his motor bicycle. Suddenly, he saw on the road, in his headlight's beam, 20 metres in front of him, a long brown object. He stopped, and a little helmeted man, coming out of the ditch, came up to him and rubbed against his shoulder, grunting. The creature then hastened into the brown mass (which was shaped like an inverted jar.) The machine rose and immediately vanished.

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Then on September 30 a small saucer was reported to have landed near Maisoncelles, France. Later, French police claimed to have discovered imprints in the ground where the machine presumably had landed.

CA SE CORSE!

Presse
Jouy-sur-Morin, September 30, 1954

Le Courrier de l'Ouest
October 19, 1954

IT KEEPS UP #1745

A Parisian daily has just published some most thought-provoking testimony by M. Eugene Farnier, one of the pioneers of aviation, former pilot and airplane builder, the teacher of Roland Garros and Guynemer.

M. Farnier had a long ~~discussion~~ discussion with the engineer Ledue, the father of the world's fastest plane, who was profoundly shaken by the statements of his interlocutor.

On September 30, M. Farnier observed for the space of 20 minutes a flying saucer hovering at 500 meters above his property at Jouy-sur-Morin. Numerous other witnesses confirmed this appearance, and the question was even raised before the municipal council there.

Before rising at very high speed, the craft tilted, showing its profile to the observer, who made a sketch. The sketch strongly resembles that of a so-called cigar which a customs officer of Marignane saw land 100 meters from him in October, 1952. The honesty of this officer and the competence of M. Farnier militate in favor of their testimony. Will this affair eventually be cleared up?

La République Quotidienne d'Alger
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Peut-on nier l'existence des soucoupes volantes ?

...Mais alors d'où viennent-elles ?

Soucoupe volante photographiée par M. George Adamski, le 13 décembre 1952 à Palomar Gardens, Californie. Le diamètre en est d'environ 10 mètres.

« ET pourtant, Elle tourne... », constatait un jour, avec un geste d'impuissance, le savant Galilée après avoir, pour sauver son corps des tourments réservés aux hérétiques par la Sainte Inquisition, abjuré « l'épouvantable et sacrilège théorie » selon laquelle la Terre, loin d'être le centre de l'Univers supposé alors tourner autour d'elle, gravitait elle-même autour du Soleil.

Sans doute, à cette époque, estimait-on que la Science avait repoussé les limites de l'ignorance humaine dans ses retranchements les plus lointains. Sans doute également pensait-on que tous les grands problèmes posés par l'Homme par les progrès de ses connaissances trouvaient des solutions satisfaisantes. On avait presque fait un dogme de la forme de la terre : une surface ronde et plate limitée par l'infini. Galilée, pour avoir démontré qu'il n'en était rien, faillit être brûlé vif.

Nous sommes, évidemment, bien loin de mettre des préoccupations du bien des hommes d'aujourd'hui. Parlez-leur, en effet, de bien des sujets pourtant d'une importance capitale ; c'est à peine s'ils vous écouteront. Prononcez le mot magique : SOUCOUPES VOLANTES, immédiatement leur esprit s'anime et les voici qui surgissent en trombe... aussi bien pour défendre les thèses les plus fantaisistes que pour en nier totalement l'existence.

Ce n'est plus une plaisanterie

L'homme se trouve, en effet, profondément mis en cause avec ses moyens (croyons-le) d'un domaine jusqu'ici qui dépasse terriblement les possibilités des sujets supérieurs : cette question dont la solution pourrait le contraindre à réviser ses conceptions les plus fondamentales sur sa philosophie, sa doctrine, sa vie, son « être » dans le sens le plus élémentaire.

Dans son immense orgueil, l'Homme avait jusqu'alors décidé que, créé à l'image de Dieu, Lui seul, Elue pensant par excellence, était capable de réaliser ce qu'il estime son prestige, et que dans l'infini de l'Univers, ces Univers pensés de millénaires de siècles placé la Terre est l'un des plus petits, perdu la Terre avait le droit d'être « habitée » parce qu'il n'y trouve.

Seulement voilà une opinion se répand, se trouble. Elle se transforme en point que l'Homme Fort est frappé d'aveuglement. Il constate dans le ciel des phénomènes qu'il juge d'origine « prime. Mais, de fond de lui-même, la conscience qui bien souvent en croit ni à Dieu ni à l'Esprit, ne trouve d'autre explication que l'on doit se borner à constater sans plus tenter d'approfondir.

Voici cette plaisante, pendant que les « SOUCOUPES VOLANTES » sont l'objet d'attention de l'Homme. Les chercheurs et les humoristes n'en sont donné à remâcher, bon « soucoupe » sont désormais d'objet de divertissement. D'abord ont admis, de bon ton, de prendre un air supérieurement condescendant et de déclarer tout simplement qu'il n'existait que pour être ridiculisé, n'en réservé pas pour autant le problème.

Depuis quelques temps, cependant, les esprits se digèrent et les choses tournent à la grimace. Un peu trop de gens affirment avoir vu, parfois de très près, des engins aériens inconnus (pour employer le vocable aussi banal) de sont inutile d'essayer d'identifier. Ils sont, d'autre part, trop nombreux et trop différents entre eux pour que les astronomes doivent être rangées dans la catégorie des rêves de l'esprit ».

Le phénomène, donc une proportion assez considérable des cas, peut être expliqué sans le moindre effort de l'imagination merveilleuse. Le public le plus ingénieux est la présence de ballons sondes lancés par les services de la Météorologie. D'une dizaine d'une dizaine de mètres, ils peuvent s'élever à des altitudes considérables — parfois 30.000 m. — et se déplacer à des vitesses dépassant 200 km.-h. Les jeux des reflets du soleil peut leur donner les apparences les plus étranges.

De fait, l'illusion est encore plus complète, car la boules sont éclairé naturellement à l'in de permettre aux observateurs de la suivre dans ses ascensions.

Les « aéronefs » peuvent également être de curieuses boules de feu produites par la foudre. Si d'ailleurs d'un phénomène rare mais connu on possède plusieurs photographies. Cas foudre, paraît-il, d'une intensité supérieur à 200 000 ampères et d'une température à des altitudes de 20.000 m.

Par Claude **BRUNET**

Tournant sur elles-mêmes, elles se déplacent à de grandes vitesses et disparaissent aussi soudainement qu'elles sont venu.

Il faut également ajouter aussi les faux soleils ou les fausses lunes provoqués par le jeu des rayons du soleil sur les cristaux de glace des nuages. C'est, d'après Flammarion qui fait mention de ce « phénomène rare », le cas d'observé le 20 janvier 1666, par Hévélius. Trois soleils, dont l'apparent, un « faux soleil » à droite et un autre à gauche. Puis, un « faux soleil » inférieur, puis deux arcs colorés, un arc blanc et deux parhélies latéraux. Le tout, qui a duré 3 heures, a été observé par 1.200 témoins d'altitude, de vous respirer, à la pourvoirie d'un énorme ballon d'hydrogène météorique dans le ciel.

Le physicien Walt Scott Schriver, en juin, avec une simplicité désarmante, une soucoupe volante « Il... devant, des journalistes ébahis son laboratoire près de Wilmington.

Ce l'ai, en effet, très simple. Dans une cloche en verre dans laquelle le vide avait été presque totalement réalisé, j'ai reçu du métal. L'opération d'une très petite quantité d'air provoqua la formation immédiate d'un halo lumineux violet. Cette vue, d'abord, surprenante par la couleur, disparaissait et réapparaissait, et qui, de plus, impressionnait les durant redite.

Les explications scientifiques ne manquèrent pas pour prouver — tort ou raison dans de nombreux cas — que les soucoupes volantes ne sont qu'un mythe. Il n'en restait pas moins que si 75 % des cas sont reçu une explication valable, 25 % n'ont pu être jusqu'ici satisfaisante de renseignements. Le % sont généralement de « soucoupes » ont laissé des traces dans un endroit total.

Il va sans dire que les explications scientifiques et que certains farceurs, se sont saisis aussitôt du mêlant, ne manquent pas d'originalité. N'y en eut-il pas qui tentèrent de nous passer un ballon pour un météore ? rêvé de nos jours ou Martien ?

...à la réalité

Mais parce qu'un certain nombre de tentatives ont échoué des témoignages plus sérieux doivent-ils nécessairement pour, dans l'état actuel de nos connaissances de la question, nier d'emblée l'existence des soucoupes volantes ?

Quand nous parlons de l'existence des soucoupes volantes, nous n'entendons pas parler — nous l'avons déjà dit — tout d'abord, tout-à-fait, ni actuel, des engins de fabrication terrestre ou de contrées soviétiques. Rien d'une notre planète !

Nous ne croyons pas que l'intelligence des engins que l'on dénomme sous les soucoupes, tombé les étapes qui, passer être entrevue. Les intelligences sont en effet trop nombreuses et surtout bien souvent de personnalité égale à la compétence de la boule qui ne peuvent être dénie.

Le dernier en date en l'objet d'un rapport du Gendarmerie, M. R. Fontaine, ancien de la Société des ingénieurs civils de France, signale avec un sérieux de ce principal, à Aveyron, un gros d'acier de 2,50 m. de diamètre « lancé à plus de 1.000 km. de l'heure » qui n'aurait pu laissé échapper des traces rougeoyantes, avec un ronflement rappelant un peu l'arrivée d'un prise à réaction. Après avoir décrit à une journal, à 400 m. de hauteur et plane plus de 20 minutes au-dessus du sol. Puis dans un bruit de tonnerre s'engouffrer aussi qu'il disparaissait ensuite en direction de Montbazillac...

La suite de la lettre est explicite : « Ancien aviateur engagé de l'Aéro-Club de France, ayant servi dans l'aviation, je n'ai pas été victime d'une hallucination et vu jusqu'à présent pas un ballon sonde. Je suis donc obligé de dire que j'ai aperçu à très grande vitesse un projectile progressivement de la manière... »

On doit-on pas tenir compte du témoignage de trois gendarmes de la gendarmerie aérée de Cambrai, interrogé par le Dr Olivier d'un des gendarmes, M. Gaudin, avec elle certaine vue véhiculé. « Il ressemblait exactement à un véritable carrousel aérien, devant par des soucoupes volantes autour d'un « sirène ».

On pourrait allonger pendant des pages et des pages la liste des témoignages. Les rapports des commissions d'enquête ont révélé que plus de 90 % des observations ont été faites par des personnes non diplômées, 30,3 % par des industriels de l'électronique, 11,2 % par des pilotes militaires ou civil.

Les soucoupes viennent-elles de la terre...

Il y a donc sur le simple fait de la réalité des constatations en jugé que l'on peut qualifier de favorable.

Cela ne fait que compliquer du reste les choses car on en arrive à l'origine des soucoupes volantes.

Viennent-elles d'une contrée quelconque de la Terre ou d'une autre planète ? Quelle que soit la réponse, elle pose un problème angoissant. Engins terrestres, ils soucoupes volantes ne pourraient être que des armes de guerre et semble redoutable alors...

Venant d'une autre planète, la question, quoique différente, n'en est pas moins alarmante.

La première hypothèse se heurte à bien une objection dans la plus extrême, si l'on pense que les soucoupes sont « montées » par un pilote ou un équipage, est que pas un des hommes ne démontrait à la pesanteur supérieure — nous ne parlons pas de la vitesse — qui circule très vraisemblablement dans l'espace qui les sépare.

...ou d'un autre monde ?

La seconde hypothèse n'oppose à des difficultés de principe qui paraissent jusqu'à un jour particulièrement insurmontées. On a en démontré s'il ne va pas falloir un certain jour, nous amener en contact avec par d'extraordinaires humanoïdes extra-terrestres. Mais encore faudrait-il que l'on signale des témoignages se rapportant à leurs passages.

Et voilà tout, pourquoi pas, dirons-nous tout contre M. Louis Bisquet, qui rejetait un autre grand scientifique, Gabriel Voisin, n'a n'hésite pas à déclarer : « Il est possible d'imaginer une planète correspond dans l'atmosphère de la terre des conditions exactes de celles notre globe ».

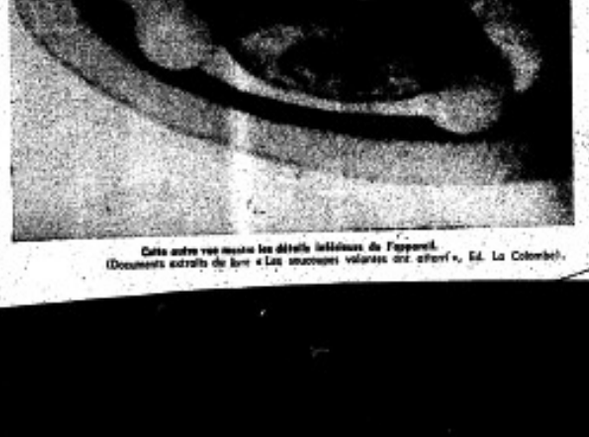
On imaginera également que les soucoupes volantes sont du très haut scientifique à l'envergure de l'homme à son transport aérien. Une littérature de plus en plus documentée et complète nous signale des soucoupes volantes aux temps anciens. Le livre de Mme. Desmond Leslie et George Adamski : « Les soucoupes volantes ont atterri » (Ed. La Colombe), devait nous ouvrir un vrai les photographies remarquablement illustrant cet article, ont scientifiquement enregistré à cet égard et cela plus du deux cents soucoupes signalées entre le 20 VIII 52 date et le même.

Rien moins, il ne réfère pas moins les plus anciens du monde, « les Textes Brahmaniques » qui donnent l'historique de l'univers sur des Origines de Vimo II 2 » (3.616.755 années.

Dans l'un feuille des textes dynastiques, les traditions japonaises, les traités Hyperion groupes en ancêtres, en leurs temples, les volumes Mandchous dont la description est tellement semblable aux phénomènes signalés aujourd'hui que l'on ne peut qu'être troublé.

N'est-il pas curieux que les photographies obtenues par [illegible] George Adamski, le 13 décembre 1952, à Palomar Gardens, en Californie, soient identiques dans leurs grandes lignes, à celle que « Fusée-Aimant » a dû cette année-là prendre et qui fut prise par M. Godin, Allégnon le 25 février dernier en Russie.

Nous doutons au contraire-vous pas longtemps encore dans le doute car le jour n'est pas loin où un témoignage irrécusable, une preuve indiscutable mettra fin à une polémique où le ridicule n'a en jusqu'à présent qu'une faible part.



Cette autre vue montre les détails intérieurs de l'appareil.
(Documents extraits du livre « Les soucoupes volantes ont atterri », Ed. La Colombe).

In France, Rumors Are Flying... Or Maybe They Are Saucers

[illegible] Bureau Correspondent of The Star

PARIS.—Readers of the classified ad columns of the Paris [illegible] blinked recently at the following notice:

REWARD

[illegible] of 10 million francs [illegible] to any one who can prove he is a live inhabitant of [illegible] Mars. Contact Prof. JONATHAN [illegible].

Today he finds Bill Fry has the [illegible] in his cheek and a good [illegible] less than 10 million francs in pocket. But considering [illegible] is going on in Europe these [illegible] you never know.

Reading Although, if his interplanetary [illegible] been more necessary [illegible] scientific, might have [illegible] up. Mr. Allingham is a [illegible]. He is also a professional [illegible] and an amateur [illegible]. His big chance came [illegible] February 15, about 2:30 p.m., [illegible] of a vivid [illegible]

chance of earning Mr. Fry's reward, he has no corner on the Martian market. Within recent weeks, European newspapers have been flooded with scores of hardly less intriguing reports!

On the night of September 29, near Quarouble in Northern France, an oblong machine about 30 feet long landed on a railroad track a few yards from the house of farmer Marius Deveille. Two small man-like creatures emerged, dressed in costumes that looked like divers' suits. As Mr. Deveille walked toward the machine, he was paralyzed by a green light. By the time he recovered, the machine was high in the sky. Further investigations showed symmetrical scrapes on the wooden railroad ties, suggesting that the object had rested on a tripod undercarriage.

The same evening a farmer named Antoine Manaut of the Plateau of Hillercheu in Southern France turned in a similar report to the local authorities. Walking home, Mr. Manaut had found himself suddenly face to face with a small, mysterious stranger, wearing something that looked like a cosmic helmet. Farmer Manaut genuinely extended his palsbord. The stranger, on the contrary, held out his hand in a gesture of friendship, walked up, uttered a few sounds and kissed Mr. Manaut on the cheek. Before the farmer could recover his poise, the amiable intruder had climbed the roadside hedge and entered a cigar-shaped contraption which took off with a faint buzzing sound.

On September 26 at 10 a.m. in the Guadalupe Mountains near the Spanish border, three Portuguese peasants were startled by a fast-flying sphere which landed in a field 200 yards from them. This time, two tall creatures emerged in shiny metallic outfits and started collecting grass and stones in a brightly polished box. Spotting the peasants, they strolled over and invited the men to venture to climb into their machine, where moving shadows could be seen behind the semitransparent outer section. When the offer was declined, the strangers disappeared through a hatch. A few seconds later, the sphere took off vertically and rapidly disappeared. (AP-wire)

"Flying Mushroom."

On September 26 at 8:10 p.m. Bernard Goujon and Armand Pichot were working on the road between Maisonnettes and Mesve when a "flying mushroom" eight feet wide settled gracefully nearby. Mr. Pichot, from a vantage point in the roadside ditch, urged Mr. Goujon to "run away and have a look." According to Mr. Goujon's report to the gendarmes, the mushroom seemed to be made out of aluminum and fluted on three crutches. It took off as he approached "speaking like an autumn leaf" and was lost in the clouds. Next morning the authorities duly noted three or eight deep imprints in the ground.

On October 2 at 7:10 a.m. another roadmender named Gustave Nancy was bicycling to work near Wasy near Paris when he noticed an unusual-looking creature climbing out of a 30-foot circ. Mr. Nancy's description was very precise. The stranger was 3 feet 11 inches tall. His body was covered with hair. He was wearing a large orange corset and a helmet made of plank. A moment of mutual staring ensued after which Mr. Nancy said good-morning. The stranger, apparently unreassured, scrambled back into his fuselage and flew away. An investigation of the spot revealed eight-marks on the grass and a strange [illegible] substance.

Reports like these are run-of-the-mill, chosen at random from literally hundreds of similar incidents that have been brought to public attention within the last few weeks. The stories have an unnerving mixture of variety consistency. The flying [illegible] are always luminous by day

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reasonably visitors are really intelligent "plants called "Venidae", millions of years more advanced than human beings. The politicians are also getting into the act: In Franie Jean Hocher, Gaullist deputy from the Loire District, has formally demanded an investigation by the Secretary for Air.

All of which, probably, proves very little. Except that people in Europe today have more active things to worry about than re-arming the Germans. And that, if Mr. Fry of Lourdian is daft, he has, at least, plenty of company.

#1746

JERUSALEM, JORDAN, Oct. 2, 1954— On the night of Sept. 30, the residents of the Northern Mountain of Nablus saw a glaring light in the sky in the shape of an elongated disk, moving from the east in a northwesterly direction and illuminating the mountain tops. (1200 GMT - N [illegible])

SIGHTINGS!

OCT. 1, 1954 - BERGERAC

OCT 2, 1954 - BERGERAC

Both are the same case, on Oct 3, (Michel).

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Soucoupes, fusées et cigares

IL NOUS FAUT DES MYTHES

Nous vivons, paraît-il, au siècle des lumières. La Science (avec une majuscule S.V.P.) doit pourvoir à tout et remplacer les anciens fétiches. Moi, je veux bien. Mais, qu'ai-je lu dans la « *Nouvelle République* » de Bordeaux du 6 octobre ? Ceci, que je vous relate en l'abrégeant (et c'est dommage car le sujet est savoureusement « pommé ») :

Le 1er octobre, M. Jean Defiz, 26 ans, moniteur en chauffage central à Bergerac, regagnait son domicile vers 22 heures. Nuit noire, épaisse, sans une lumière à l'horizon. Brusquement, juste au-dessus de sa tête, à haute altitude, descend à une vitesse vertigineuse vers le sol une lumière intense. Ce n'est pas une étoile filante, assure M. Defiz, mais un engin ayant la forme d'une fusée qui se colore à trois reprises d'une teinte verdâtre. Les yeux rivés sur l'appareil, M. Defiz aperçoit sous la coupole noire demi-sphérique trois béquilles qui se replient lentement tandis que l'appareil, dans un sifflement d'air, reprend de la hauteur et se perd bientôt dans les nuages.

Ça n'est déjà pas mal, mais il y a mieux. Le lendemain, un voisin retraité de la S.N.C.F., M. Jean Labonne, 63 ans, découvre dans son jardin, à 22 heures, un engin lumineux ayant la forme d'un champignon et construit en plexiglass *(sic)*.

Cédons la parole à M. Labonne :

« *Subitement, devant moi, à trois mètres à peine, paraissant m'interdire l'allée de mon jardin, une ombre.*

» *Qui est là? criai-je. Qui êtes-vous? Que me voulez-vous? Je n'osais faire un pas. Au son de ma voix, la forme noire fit demi-tour, se glissa jusqu'à l'engin et, en quelques secondes, celui-ci s'éleva vers le ciel suivi d'une traînée de lumière. Je vis très nettement, sous la coupole, trois béquilles qui se replaient. Dès l'aube je retournais dans mon jardin, près de l'endroit où j'avais vu l'appareil. Sur la terre grasse, je découvris trois empreintes légères; mais ce qui me bouleversa le plus, c'est une floraison de champignons longs de tige, de teinte noire et inconnus dans la région qui avaient subitement poussé. Je n'osais les toucher et d'ailleurs ils se dissipèrent comme rosée aux premiers rayons du soleil.* »

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Je me souviens qu'au cours d'une séance à la Chambre, aux environs de 1906, l'infortuné René Viviani (mort fou) déclarait dans une belle envolée (1) : « *Nous avons éteint dans le ciel des lumières qu'on ne rallumera plus.* »

Viviani se trompait : quelque chose se rallume dans le ciel, mais, ô dérision, ce sont... des soucoupes volantes !

Ne me dites surtout pas qu'à Bergerac comme ailleurs où des gens de parfaite bonne foi croient avoir vu quelque chose dans le ciel, ne me dites pas, surtout, qu'il s'agit de simples phénomènes d'hallucination. La « chose » n'existe sans doute pas en soi : elle existe pour les visionnaires qui ont besoin de croire aux merveilleux.

Parce que, enfin, que propose-t-on à M. Defiz ou à M. Labonne ? Une civilisation matérialiste où le fin du fin consiste à posséder une automobile (mythe de la puissance mécanique), ou encore un frigidaire, ou bien un poste de télévision (mythe du faux confort et de la fausse culture).

Mille regrets, mais cela n'a rien à voir avec la vraie civilisation qui, au contraire, est fondée sur le dénuement et le renoncement individuels.

Les seules grandes ères hautement civilisées, je ne l'apprendrai à personne, furent les ères magdalénienne, égyptienne, grecque et médiévale. Pourquoi ? Parce que les hommes de ces époques, animés d'une foi profonde, avaient de puissants motifs d'espérer.

Que pouvons-nous espérer aujourd'hui où, suivant le mot fameux de Nietzche, « Dieu est mort » ? Une auto, et chanter :

Enfin j'ai une auto (bis)
C'est épatant comme ça file...

...ou bien une démocratique Vespa, à moins que ce ne soit une machine à laver le linge ou à moudre le café...

C'est fort bien, mais la satiété vient vite de ce qu'on possède et qu'on peut inventorier : l'esprit reste insatisfait.

C'est pourquoi, à défaut de vrais miracles dans un siècle sans foi, nous voyons prospérer les soucoupes volantes, les « Christ de Montfavet », d'innombrables petites églises *ejusdem farinæ, en attendant* une nouvelle flambée de catharisme.

L'homme a besoin de mythes *valables* et le ciel est vide. Donnez-nous autre chose que des soucoupes volantes...

PICATAL.

P.C.C. : Léo MAGNE

(1) N.D.L.R. — *Voici la péroraison de René Viviani, ministre du Travail du Cabinet Clemenceau (discours prononcé le 8 novembre*

Non Piste pour la soucoupe

Translation of article in *Aerospace Mission* (Feb), Nov. 1954 — the original of this should accompany "[illegible]" page(s). Column with running title "Les Ailes de chaque Planète":

WE NEED MYTHS

It seems we are living in the age of illumination. Science (with a capital S) is to accomplish everything and replace the old fetishes. Suits me! But what is this that I find in the Bordeaux *Nouvelle République* of Oct. 6? I copy it in abridged form (a pity, for it is nicely "juicy"):

On October 1st, at 10 P.M., M. Jean Defix, 26, a steamfitter of Bergerac, was returning home. It was black night, without a light on the horizon. All of a sudden, directly over his head, a brilliant light descended at giddy speed from a high altitude. It was not a shooting star, M. Defix could see, but a rocket-shaped craft, which three times in succession took on a greenish colour. His eyes riveted to the machine, M. Defix discerned, under a black hemispherical capola, three extensible legs, which slowly folded up as the craft, with a hissing sound, rose again and was soon lost in the clouds.

Not bad — but there is a better yet. The next day, at 10 a.m., a neighbour, the S.N.C.F., M. Jean Labonne, 63, discovered in his garden a luminous object shaped like a mushroom and constructed of plexiglas (sic).

"Suddenly, barely 3 metres in front of me, was a shadow, that seemed to bar me from going out of the garden. "Who's there?" I cried. "Who are ya? What do ya want with me?" I did not dare to stir. At the sound of my voice, the black figure turned half around, & slid over to the machine; in a few seconds, it rose into the sky followed by a luminous trail. Beneath the capola I could very distinctly see three legs folding back.

At dawn I returned to the garden near where I had seen the machine. On the soft soil, I discovered three shallow impressions.

But what absolutely dumbfounded me was a cluster of black, long-stemmed mushrooms, unknown in the vicinity, which had suddenly appeared. I dared not touch them, and with the first rays of the sun they evaporated like dew."

... Don't tell me that, at Bergerac and elsewhere, when people of perfect good faith think they have seen something in the sky, it is a question of simple hallucination. No! The "thing" undoubtedly has no objective existence; but it exists for visionaries who need to believe in the marvellous. ... A materialistic civilization... has nothing to do with true civilization, which is founded on poverty and renunciation... satiety comes soon in the material possessions... the spirit remains unsatisfied. This is why, in default of true miracles in a faithless era, we see flying saucers prospering...

Man needs valuable myths. The sky is empty, but let us fill it with something better than flying saucers.

Léo Magne.

Sud-Ouest
October 6, 1954

AGEN 20

Soucoupes volantes

(SUITE)

Oct. 4
Monday evening at 10 P.M., M. Marcel Maconaud, an art dealer of Louis-Blanc street (Paris) saw something moving in the sky, apparently just above the school of domestic science. It was a sort of luminous ball which lighted up the whole sky. It disappeared after M. Maconaud had watched it for 4 or 5 minutes, in the direction of the Bordeaux road. He had time to take his field-glasses, and to notify his wife and his neighbours M. & Mme. Capeble, who also saw it perfectly. [Probably Planet was seen, twinkling when he saw through the glasses.]

SOUCOUPES VOLANTES

sur Suite de la première page

FLYING SAUCERS (continued)

Flying cigars, saucers, and cylinders are again fluttering over the four corners of France.

Two saucers were seen in the sky of Clermont. The first, ten km from Beaumont, was moving from west to east. The witnesses declare the thing approached within 150 meters of them and that they experienced a curious sensation and were "nailed in place." A strong odour of nitrobenzene was perceptible.

The other saucer was seen above the Chamburgue region, near Clermont. It manoeuvred vertically and was of a brilliant white colour.

Thirty persons at Billom also saw a saucer. It was manoeuvring above the town, moving horizontally, an intense light was emitted from it. After being visible for three or four minutes it disappeared.

Near Saint-Brieuc, a luminous cigar was seen manoeuvring for more than an hour.

At Thouarse-sur-Vie (Vendée), a dozen elongated objects passed over at high speed and altitude.

At La Rochelle, M. & Mme. Guillemoteau were in front of their farmhouse when they noticed, about a meter off the ground, a "spherical" saucer perhaps 2-3 meters high and 5 meters in diameter. (Not a sphere but an oblate spheroid—ADM.) The craft, which produced no sound, remained motionless for some minutes, then rose vertically. The next day, M. Guillemoteau went to the place

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where he had seen the machine, and was able to find oily marks on the grass.

M. Pierre Lucas, bakery worker of Locludy (Finistère) had a visit from a Martian about 120 cm high (4 foot.) It seems he had an oval face covered with hair, and eyes "as big as crows' eggs." The visitor tapped him on the shoulder, vouchsafed a few unintelligible words, and reëntered his saucer which disappeared in the night. OCT. 8 1954

A beer seller at Concarneau saw two luminous discs "like round tables" which had "tails."

Italy, after the demi-cigar of Rome, has also been stricken with the disease:

The centre of the town of Mantua was tied up for an hour yesterday by people standing in the streets watching a strange "white object" clearly visible at a great height against the blue sky. 10-6-1954

The "Martians", too, seem to want to visit Italy. A fisherman of Roverbella, in the neighbourhood of Mantua, declares he was approached last night by a "mysterious individual" dressed in red, who addressed him with "unintelligible words" and then rapidly moved off before the fisherman could call his wife. OCT. 6, 1954

To amuse himself at the expense of his fellow-citizens, a retired miner of Beuvry-les-Béthune has been mass-producing flying saucers. Utilising the hot-air-balloon principle, this joker constructed "engine" as much as 3 meters in diameter out of carefully glued paper. At the base of each "saucer" was a little receptacle containing a piece of tow soaked in gasoline. When this was ignited the craft rose into the air and disappeared, giving off yellow and orange gleams. But one of these "saucers" came down near a haystack and narrowly missed setting it on fire; an investigation was undertaken, and the facetious builder was discovered. The examiner declared he had launched more than a thousand "saucers." He will be punished for his dangerous amusement.

#1780 – 1. BEAUMONT (CLERMONT) 10-5-54 at 8.45
#1781-2. CHANTURGUE (CLERMONT) 10-5-54
#1782-3. BILLOM NLT 10-6-54
#1783-4. ST. BRIEUC 10-6-54 night
#1784-5. TROUARE-SUR-VIE (VENDEE) 10-5-54 night
#1786-6. LA ROCHELLE 10-3-54
#1787 7. LOCTUDY (FINISTERE) 10-5-54 4 a.m. (Pierre Lucas) #1787
#1788 8. CONCARNEAU – NLT 10-6-54
#1793-9. Mantua, Italy 10-6-54
#1794-10. Roverbella Italy 10-6-54

Daily Telegraph (London) #1769 SEEN 10-2-54

FLYING DISCS REPORT

Inhabitants of Frederick, near Johannesburg, reported seeing six flaming red discs flying in V formation, coming very low, during darkness. They just hung in the air, and then one disc turned each way, and the six discs hung each side of the moon. The reds had changed to the green—and back.

The Truth About Saucers & Martians

by the Abbé Largeau

1. Must we believe in flying saucers?

(translated in part only)

... One should not imagine that flying saucers & saucepans are the invention of the atomic age. In all epochs there have been celestial fires, sparkling and sometimes terrifying, which, descending vertically or obliquely, have attracted ~~the~~ alarmed attention, taking sensational or fantastic forms very apt to disturb public opinion. [Probably refers to comets & meteors; but read on – ADH]

The Celtic Library of Paris has recently published a heavily documented work describing apparitions of flying pans in Brittany in the Middle Ages. These were celestial phenomena which, undoubtedly, occurred more frequently in imagination than in reality, and which popular anxiety regarded as presaging death and catastrophe.

These luminous phenomena, appearing usually on the darkest nights, had the form of flaming candles" which ignited, went out, flew about, and mysteriously disappeared. Sometimes they took the form of brilliant spindles"", which would settle down and float on a pond; sometimes they resembled flickering candles burning from head to foot. [There are surely will-o'-the-wisps about.]

But these candles were trifling compared to the "étoiles", enormous "torches" as brilliant as the stars, having the spherical shape of great flying pans. Their light was greenish-blue or saffron-yellow, or again purplish-red, joining in dull colours of the rainbow. Their form often merged into the discoidal one of a pan, provided with a tail, and this tail seemed to sparkle with stellar sparks, like the tail of a comet.

Since there is only one short step between the appearance of luminous discs & planetary phenomena, public opinion readily saw in them warnings from heaven.

[The above descriptions are not very clear; this is the fault of the author, a lazy writer.]

These visions of yesterday will suffice to show that there have always been luminous celestial phenomena to alarm the credulous. It may be added that at these times there are veritable epidemics of "seeing" by people who in their troubled minds are moved to transform such luminous discs as they may see into pans, candles, torches, cigars, saucepans, and flying chariots. [Not clear whether an "epidemic" occurred in the medieval case as well as in 1954.] From chariots one easily comes to the conception of a driver, or even a whole crew; as in the necessarily less voluminous [why?] flying saucer, people claim to have seen some little dwarf from another world.

→ In just the same way, more than a thousand years ago, the luminous pans were occasionally piloted by hairy pygmies, with fearsome sparkling eyes. So there have been few changes among today's pears of saucers...

It certainly seems that our century, nonetheless, excels previous eras in these appearances, or, other, in the imaginary conceptions of facetious

spectators. So true is it that man, in spite of himself, constantly turns to the supernatural...

I extract from the hocus-pocus stories reported by the papers a few that will permit us to analyse the value of the luminous machines that are presented to us.

(1) Three agricultural workers at Allier saw an enormous flying cigar, which after various ascending & descending maneuvers dropped like a stone to the ground, where it burst like a shell with a cloud of dust. (Classical observation.)

(2) Near Orléans, two motorists saw at midnight a luminous disc seeming at first to hover in the clouds, appearing and disappearing, then suddenly dropped vertically and burst on the ground with a marvellous display of fireworks. (Another classical example, very convincing.)

(3) Last Sunday, Oct. 24, 1954 a bicyclist coming home at 2 A.M. encountered a Martian who froze him in place, jumped on him and gave him an accolade with lips of aluminum, then made off at the speed of the wind on the bicycle of the paralysed young man. (Burlesque & ridiculous, not to say absurd.)

(4) [Patently a newspaper concoction.]

Conclusion: There are certainly some observers who see things approaching to possible luminous phenomena. There are others who "see with their eyes closed", so as to help out their imaginary conceptions and their tartarinesque jokes.

And that sums up all the flying saucer stories: some are plausible, and the others are completely imaginary.

What then is the nature of the real luminous discs which, under one name or another, appear in the night at different epochs?

[Author's theory not given in this installment.]

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La VÉRITÉ sur les SOUCOUPES et les MARTIENS

par l'Abbé LARGEAU

I. Faut-il croire aux soucoupes volantes ?

C'est pour répondre à l'émotion générale, en même temps qu'à la demande des Recherches scientifiques, que j'écris ces lignes documentaires. Les phénomènes stellaires, atmosphériques et même telluriques sont tellement nombreux et parfois fréquents, sous la calotte des cieux, qu'il ne faut pas s'imaginer que les soucoupes et marmites volantes sont un invention exclusive de notre siècle atomique.

Il y eut, à toutes les époques — quelques noms qui leur soient donnés — des feux célestes, plus ou moins développés, étincelants et parfois terrifiants, descendant en trajectoire verticale ou oblique, ont attiré les regards étonnés des hommes, en prenant dans leur chute sur le globe terrestre les formes les plus sensationnelles et les plus fantastiques, très capables de troubler l'opinion publique.

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La Librairie Celtique de Paris nous a fait connaître récemment deux ouvrages des plus édifiants, ce qu'étaient, au Moyen Age, en Bretagne, les apparitions de poêlons volants.

C'étaient des phénomènes célestes qui se multiplient autant qu'on veut dans l'imagination des hommes que dans la réalité, et auxquels la rayeur psychique attachait des présages de mort et de catastrophes. Ces phénomènes lumineux, éclatant surtout dans les nuits très sombres, prenaient la forme de cierges flamboyants qui s'allumaient, s'éteignaient, s'éteignaient et disparaissaient mystérieusement.

Tantôt ils prenaient la forme de chandelles brillantes, qui se plantaient et restaient sur un étang ; tantôt ils ressemblaient à des cierges vacillants qui brûlaient la tête en bas.

Quand ces cierges n'étaient que de petites lueurs en comparaison de ceux qui s'élevaient aux flambeaux énormes, brillants comme des étoiles, et qui avaient la forme sphérique de grandes poêles à frire.

Leur lumière était d'un bleu verdâtre ou d'un jaune de safran, ou encore d'un rouge violacé ; s'unissant aux couleurs atmosphériques de l'arc-en-ciel.

Leur forme se rencontrait souvent avec celle du disque des poêlons, enflammés d'une queue, et cette queue elle-même semblait brûler d'étincelles scintillantes, comme la queue d'une comète.

De l'apparition des disques lumineux aux phénomènes d'aérolithes il n'y avait qu'un pas, facile à franchir.

Aussi l'opinion publique y voyait très rapidement des avertissements du ciel et des présages de malheur.

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Il me suffira d'avoir évoqué ces visions de jadis pour faire comprendre qu'il y a eu de tout temps des phénomènes célestes lumineux, d'une forme souvent troublante, qui ont détraqué les conversations et effrayé les esprits crédules.

On peut ajouter qu'il se forme, à ces époques, de véritables épidémies de voyants qui, dans leur trouble pluté que dans la possession d'eux-mêmes, sont portés à transformer les disques lumineux qu'ils purent apercevoir en poêles, en cierges, en flambeaux, en cigares, en marmites, et même en chariots volants.

Du chariot on passe facilement à la conception d'un conducteur, même accompagné de camarades, comme dans la soucoupe volante, nécessairement montée volumineuse, on prétend avoir vu quelque petit nain, d'un autre monde.

C'est ainsi qu'il y a mille ans et plus, les poêlons lumineux étaient divisés occasionnellement par des pygmées poilus, aux yeux effrayants de lumière étincelante.

Donc, peu de changements parmi les voyants d'aujourd'hui, dont quelques-uns se vantent d'avoir vu des Martiens, bardés de fer blanc ou d'aluminium, qui parlent russe, espéranto ou congolais.

Il semble bien par conséquent que notre siècle l'emporte quand même sur les époques précédentes par les multiples apparitions, ou plutôt par les conceptions imaginaires des spectateurs fascinés. Tant il vrai que l'homme, malgré lui, se tourne instinctivement vers le surnaturel, qui hante ou subjugue, parole d'Alfred de Musset : « L'infini nous tourmente ! »

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Il est temps de voir ce que peuvent être de vrai ou de faux tous les [illegible]

J'extrais de l'amalgame des histoires les plus extraordinaires, qui nous ont été rapportées par les gazettes, quelques exemples qui me[illegible] à mes yeux d'analyser à souhait la valeur intrinsèque ou extrinsèque [illegible] singuliers lumineux qui nous sont présentés.

Premier cas. — Trois ouvriers agricoles ont vu, dans le ciel de l'Allier, un énorme cigare volant qui après diverses évolutions montantes et descendantes, s'est abattu en flèche sur le sol pour éclater, à la manière d'un obus, dans un nuage de poussière. — Vision classique.

Deuxième cas. — Deux automobilistes ont aperçu tout près d'Orléans, sur l'heure de minuit, un disque lumineux qui semblait tout d'abord se balancer à travers les nuages, apparaissant et disparaissant, pour prendre ensuite à coup la verticale et venir éclater au sol en merveilleux feu d'artifice. — Autre exemple classique, très vraisemblable.

Troisième cas. — Un bicycliste rentrant chez lui à deux heures du matin, l'autre dimanche, avec rencontre avec un Martien qui l'a fait sauter de selle, en lui sautant au cou et en lui donnant l'accolade de ses bras d'aluminium, pour s'enfuir en coup de vent sur la propre bicyclette du pauvre homme médusé. — Burlesque et ridicule, pour ne pas dire absurde. Quatrième cas. — Cet exemple est le bouquet humoristique, qui l'emporte sur toutes les imaginations !

Un Mosellan, Pierre Bardou, des environs de Metz, ouvrier d'usine, rentrait sa porte, au début d'octobre, vers cinq heures du matin, pour se rendre à son travail, lorsqu'il a été ou ne peut plus surpris d'apercevoir devant lui, un petit clerc en soutane (tombé de la lune dans sa soucoupe volante) qui lui chantait de sa voix cristalline, sur l'air très connu :

« Au clair de la lune,
Mon gentil Pierrot,
Prête un porte-plume
Pour écrire un mot
Dans ma sphère volante
Je suis effondré,
J'écris à ma tante
Que j'suis entré ! »

Le petit lunaire disparut, et le Mosellan s'évanouit de stupeur !

Nouvelle énigmatique : Mots aux environs de Marseille !

Conclusion. — Il y a certainement des observateurs d'occasion qui voient, admirent, et voient des choses se rapportant des réalités lumineuses, célestes.

Mais il en est d'autres qui voient certainement, les yeux ivres, les cerveaux faire parler toutes les conceptions, de leur imagination et de leurs plaisanteries tartarinesques. Voilà le résumé de toute la histoire des soucoupes volantes, les unes vraisemblables, les autres complètement imaginaires.

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De quoi s'agit-il donc ? Quelle peut être la base des véritables disques lumineux — qu'ils prennent un nom ou un autre — qui semblent apparaître la nuit à diverses époques ?

Rien bien. Il est au-dessus de nos têtes une voûte immense qu'on appelle le firmament.

Ce firmament est parsemé d'astres, de planètes et d'étoiles.

Ce firmament est informe corps célestes lumineux, dont la photosphère nous donne une idée. Mais le mot sphère se rapporte aussi à la forme de tous les corps lumineux du firmament. Il se dit même de la Lune :

« Et l'astre de nuit,
Dont les faibles rayons nous guident sous l'ombrage. »
(C. Delavigne)

Mais on dit plus scientifiquement du soleil :

« Sur les flots agités par les vents et l'orage,
L'astre brillant du jour ne peint pas son image. »
(Delille)

Les planètes sont des corps célestes qui n'ont pas de lumière propre.

Ils reçoivent du soleil autour duquel elles gravitent.

Les huit grandes planètes visibles à l'œil nu sont, à partir du Soleil : Mercure, Vénus, la Terre, Mars, Jupiter, Saturne, Uranus et Neptune.

A un certain nombre également de planètes secondaires.

Les étoiles, à l'encontre des planètes, sont des astres fixes, qui brillent d'une lumière propre : Sirius est une des plus brillantes parmi les étoiles fixes qui peuvent, à leur tour, comme le soleil, être le centre d'autres systèmes planétaires. Leur nombre est indéfini.

(A suivre.)

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Les "soucoupes volantes" transportent des géographes d'un autre monde

qui dressent actuellement la carte de la terre... et qui n'ont aucune intention belliqueuse

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Nairobi, [illegible] octobre (A. C. P.). — Des visiteurs d'un autre monde observent la terre et en dressent probablement la carte géographique. Ils ont dernièrement porté leur attention sur l'Afrique orientale. Telles sont les affirmations d'un des principaux astronomes du Kenya, M. G. Duncan Fletcher.

Il a formulé cette suggestion hallucinante à la suite d'un déluge d'informations fournies par de nombreux observateurs signalant avoir vu des soucoupes volantes en Afrique orientale.

Quant à M. Fletcher, il a lui-même observé dernièrement un objet survolant Nairobi. Il était dans son observatoire (qui est très bien équipé), en compagnie de quatre amis. Il était 19 h. 40 quand, très bas à l'est, apparut une grande lueur qui n'avait rien à voir avec l'astronomie, ni avec les avions qui venaient de se poser sur l'aéroport. L'objet était à environ 700 mètres d'altitude et était immobile quand M. Fletcher et ses quatre amis l'aperçurent. Il émettait une vive lueur orangée. Cette lueur s'intensifia jusqu'au jaune clair et l'objet s'éleva, redescendit et reprit de la hauteur pour disparaître finalement dans les nuages.

Observation (recent, no date.)

M. Fletcher déclare que pour lui les observations de soucoupes ne [illegible] à mettre en doute et [illegible] d'observateurs très [illegible] de tous les points du globe.

Le trait le plus encourageant de l'affaire, poursuit M. Fletcher, est que les objets volants non identifiés ne paraissent pas pilotés par des êtres ayant des intentions hostiles à l'égard des habitants de notre planète.

« D'après tous les renseignements disponibles, ajoute M. Fletcher, les occupants des soucoupes dressent la carte de toute la surface de la terre. »

Citant à l'appui de sa thèse l'opinion du Dr F. [illegible], professeur d'astro-physique [illegible] et [illegible] de sir James Jeans, le Dr Fletcher déclare que des [illegible] sont [illegible] en faveur de l'existence de nombreuses planètes capables d'abriter la vie.

« Les êtres visitant la terre sont-ils grands ou petits, ont-ils du sang dans les veines, ont-ils même des veines ? Autant de questions qui n'auront de réponse qu'au moment où ces êtres décideront de prendre contact avec les humains, déclare M. Fletcher.

Il ajoute que c'est peut-être une simple coïncidence mais il fait remarquer que ces êtres d'autres mondes s'intéressent aux activités terrestres depuis la première explosion atomique, il y a environ sept ans.

« Il semble ne faire aucun doute, poursuit M. Fletcher, que ces êtres sont extrêmement en avance sur nous dans leurs méthodes de propulsion et les observateurs ont signalé des objets non identifiés survolant des usines atomiques, des chantiers navals, des bases navales et certaines des plus grandes villes du monde. Je pense qu'ils nous abordent comme nous ferions si nous étions à leur place. Supposons que nous allions visiter Vénus.

Se préparent-ils à atterrir ?

» Je ne crois pas que nous nous poserions avant d'avoir procédé à toutes les observations possibles. L'évidence est que nous dresserions des cartes, prendrions si possible des photos et procéderions à un examen approfondi avant de risquer follement des existences en atterrissant trop tôt. Il n'est donc pas déraisonnable de penser que ceux qui pilotent les objets volants agissent exactement de cette façon. »

M. Fletcher est convaincu que les « objets » viennent de l'espace interplanétaire et ne peuvent être des météores qui, [illegible] par la [illegible], brûlent par suite du frottement de l'air.

« Un météore, dit-il, ne s'élève pas et ne plane pas. »

M. Fletcher ne prétend pas savoir comment fonctionnent les « objets », ni ce qu'ils contiennent, ni d'où ils viennent, mais il donne ce conseil : [illegible] et [illegible] devant leurs [illegible] dans la [illegible]

Mr. Fletcher himself recently observed an object over Nairobi. He was in his well-equipped observatory with 4 friends at 7:40 PM when a big light appeared very low in the east. This had nothing to do with the aircraft landing at the airport, and was not astronomical in nature. It was hovering motionless at an altitude of about 700 meters when Mr. Fletcher and his friends first saw it. It was emitting a bright orange light. This light then intensified to a light yellow colour, and the object rose, redescended, and regained altitude, finally disappearing in the clouds.

Source? Oct. 6, 1954.

G. Duncan Fletcher, one of the principal astronomers of Kenya, says saucers come from another planet and are mapping the earth.

He says saucer observations are indisputable, and come from the most experienced observers all over the globe. He has seen a saucer himself. The saucer pilots are not hostile.

(Although this is not made explicit, it is clear that Fletcher places the saucers' origin outside our solar system.)

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French Saucers

Flying saucer stories originated in the United States, spread to Canada, and have now burst out in France. The French saucer tales have a Gallic quality that adds to their fascination.

For instance, a French farmer claims that he was walking along a lonely road, a creature came up to him, caressed his arm, and made unintelligible noises. Then it moved off to a waiting saucer says the farmer, which he could not see because he was blinded and temporarily paralyzed by a green ray directed at him. (Only in France would a creature from outer space caress a man who chanced upon him on a lonely road.)

Then a former artillery observer in France reported he saw a dark-gray object hovering over some mountains at about 6000 feet. As he stopped his car to look, the mass suddenly "shot away like lightning and disappeared." The element of romance is missing here, but not that of wonder.

It's impossible to say that flying saucers don't exist; certainly stories about them appear to be universal. But so, at one time, did stories of witches and fairies come from all over the world. What is universal today is the jitters. It may be these, along with the fantastic devices assembled by science, that cause people to see things in the sky which exist in their imaginations.

On Oct. 5 at 7.15 a. m. a roadworker named Gustave Narcy was bicycling to work near Wassy, a Paris suburb, when he noticed an unusual looking creature climbing out of a 30-foot cigar. Narcy's description was very precise. The stranger was 3 feet 11 inches tall. His body was covered with hair. He was wearing a large orange corset and a helmet made of plush. A moment of mutual staring ensued after which Narcy said goodmorning. The stranger, apparently unreassured, scrambled back into his fuselage and flew away. An investigation of the spot revealed skid-marks on the grass and a strange milky substance.

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'Round, Shiny Object'

Flying Saucer Sashays Around Diamond Head

Those flying saucers are back again.

This time "a round, shiny object resembling a disc," was seen yesterday over Diamond Head by Stephen Souza, 13, of 3666 Keanu St., and four companions from Kaimuki Intermediate school.

Stephen told Police Motor Patrolman Richard Dung that he was walking on the school grounds when he saw the object that was "bright orange and yellow" in color over Diamond Head moving toward Kahala.

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HE SAID it was traveling about the same speed as a plane and as he watched it in the cloudless sky it got smaller and disappeared.

It then reappeared and vanished again, according to Stephen. At this point he called four girls who were walking behind him to verify his findings.

They did and all told Officer Dung they "distinctly" saw the object.

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THE FOUR GIRLS also said they saw it get smaller and vanish. But when it reappeared, they said it seemed to have turned dark in color.

It was last seen at a point estimated to be above the new Kaikoo subdivision.

Rec'd from E. Elbogen
Durand

NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE, PARIS, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1954

Out of This World

More Flying Saucers Reported in France

#1747

By Robert N. Sturdevant

A cardboard-box salesman, Pierre Allouis, told Paris reporters that he spotted a huge silver saucer in the sky around 4:30 p.m. yesterday as his taxi stopped for a red light near the Porte Dorée, at the eastern outskirts of the city. #1791

Two other persons, Gilbert Bacon and Paul Julien, reported seeing the same thing but thought it looked more like a flying wing. All witnesses spoke of a screeching sound and a smoky tail which followed the object.

These were the latest reports of out-of-this-world manifestations which have been pouring in from all parts of France for the last two weeks. A Deputy in the National Assembly has asked the Air Ministry what it is doing to explain the so-called phenomena.

In fact, there was some evidence to show that people were spoofing their neighbors in all kinds of ways.

From Lille, it was reported that a retired miner, known as a local wag, had fabricated some hot-air balloons three yards in diameter which went aloft with the aid of gasoline-saturated straw attached to the bottom.

When the balloons went up and got caught in the wind they gave off a yellowish flare, to the consternation of people who saw them in the middle of the night. Unfortunately for the jokester, one almost set a haystack on fire on landing, and the miner was arrested. He is charged with what French law calls "dangerous amusement."

A road-mender in middle France also was caught for playing a joke. He had reported seeing a flying cigar alight in a field near his work, and claimed that when he approached the object he was paralyzed by a strange light. Afterward he pointed out three holes in the ground which he said were made by the object.

Gendarmes picked him up a couple of days later and perceived that the holes had been made by the road-mender's own hands. He was held for further disciplinary action.

SAUCERS, AND THINGS

NOW Europe has been affected by the so-called flying-saucer craze.

Some pretty smart people seem to be taking it seriously. Our own Air Force experts have shown a keen interest in the phenomenon, or whatever it is.

Personally, all we know is that people have been claiming to have seen these things ever since 1947. And that at the present speed at which we are gaining knowledge of them, whatever they are, it is quite possible they really will be here by the time we find out what they are.

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One copy: Information Pamphlet No.6 of the UFO Work Group of Basel (Switzerl.) contains Prof.Dr.C.G.Jung's opinions on saucers as translated - mind you! - from the English Flying Saucer Review. Also D.Leslie's travelogue from No 2, 1956 issue, same publication. And one report from a reader:
"October two years ago.(1954? trans.) 0630 hours. Some luminous thing came down the road, curved around some houses then went S.E. The front portion, actually only the center of the front portion, was brilliant white, ray-like, then followed a bluish glow and the rear was enveloped in fog. Hard to describe but all that saw it were sure it was not a meteor. Later we heard that it was sighted at Vienna somewhat earlier, by many people, mostly workers from the suburbs. These saw clearly how it flew at low altitude and ascended so as to get over the mountains. My husband and many people here observed: it flew with an aim, with purpose - guided. Although it was almost bright day the object was very bright. A Hungarian paper wrote later it had come down in Hungary and was a meteorite. Details were lacking and nobody believed it. The Graz (Austria) observatory let it be known that it was no saucer for 'they did not see anything.' But the thing was beautiful.Hope you see it some time."

ASTRAL ADVENTURERS

Frenchmen report meetings with unlikely creatures

DEPUTY DE LEOTARD

The summer in France had been enough to unnerve anyone. It had rained steadily. The crops were bad. The rabbits had died off by the thousands. And it was absolutely the worst wine year since the war. France was in no state to cope with another crisis, but it came anyway. Out of the autumn skies, from Brittany to the Riviera, dropped a series of extraterrestrial vehicles and unearthly men. They were not the vaguely described objects sometimes seen by children and frightened old ladies. Good solid citizens—farmers, bakers and other workingmen, who had the reputation for being reliable, swore they had seen them. They even drew diagrams and pictures to prove it.

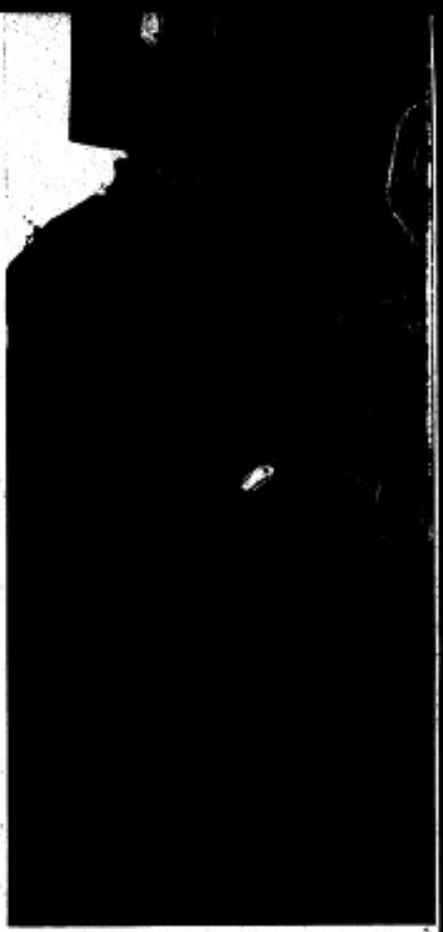
The vehicles they described were of many shapes: whirling disks, flying cigars, arrows, comets and winged mushrooms. They left sled marks in the grass at one place, gashes on a wooden railway tie in another. Out of these conversations stepped little men of many colors, mostly pleasing pastels, though one had zebra stripes and another changed color with chameleonlike ease. They wore plastic helmets, shoreliner diving suits, orange corsets or cellophane wrappers, and spoke English, French or even Latin. Some, however, were left speechless by what they saw.

French newspapers suddenly carried almost as many reports about Martians, as whoever the outer space visitors were, as they did about bloodless France. In the National Assembly, Deputy Pierre de Leotard (*inset*), who sometimes wears sort of an extraterrestrial look himself though he is usually a Radical-Socialist, demanded to know if the invasion threatened France's security. The government, in the novel position of facing a kind of crisis no French government had ever faced before, reserved answer.

DESCRIBING SAUCER TAKE-OFF from field near Amiens, Yves de Gilleboc (*left*), Emile Henri point to sky where they saw "Martian machine" leaving puffs of smoke as it vanished from sight.

SAUCER SCRATCHES on railroad tie were circled in chalk by Marian Devillde of Quarouble who carries the tie home to preserve proof of the multicolored flying contraption he saw land on tracks.

MARTIAN MEN'S HEIGHT is shown by two haters. Pierre Lenne (*left*) of Leonidy was going to wall when, he said, strange ball fell from the sky. Suddenly a small hooded figure with one eye in middle of his forehead tapped him on shoulder. Serge Pochet (*right*) of Marenla was approached by two small children.



DUMPY LITTLE SPACE MAN THEY SAW LAND IN LUMINOUS SPHERE ON

GLOBULAR SPACESHIP SKETCH (*right*) by Gregoire Oller depicts golden disk he saw moon from Wazey after two-legged creature leaped out for furry look.

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BASKETBALL COURT NEAR TOULOUSE IS BEING DUG BY FRANCOIS PINEAU-CLOTO AND JEAN OLIVIER

HATLINE SPACESHIP SKETCH (*right*) was drawn in dirt by Jean Nazy to describe craft he saw landed in a field near Wazey. From it emerged a little white-haired man in fur coat and orange corset.

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~~Xxxxxxxx~~ page from *Radar*, Oct. 17, 1954.

Obverse: "The 2 Witnesses were strangers to each other."

Haute-Marne: First witness: Grégoire Oldut, 64, farmer. Honourably known. His testimony supports Narcy's:

"Leaving my property, "Bobottes", I set out to Wassy. Suddenly, behind the screen of trees at the "old tile works", I saw a golden disc in the sky. Was I dreaming? Not at all! The orange spot plunged from the sky and, after several bounces on the grass, remained on the ground. I couldn't believe my eyes. A creature 1 meter tall emerged from the infernal machine. Suddenly the "biped" returned to his craft, which rose & disappeared."

Photograph & testimony of Narcy ~~xxxxxx~~. see portrait inside

Centre picture:

The "Martian" seen by Narcy and Oldut. Our artist has carefully reconstructed him from the witnesses' descriptions and sketches.

"No copying", ~~xx~~ insisted our reporters, putting Narcy & Oldut back to back, even though the good faith of the witnesses appeared above question. They had never seen one another until our reporters brought them together. While together, they were strictly watched. The result is extraordinary: their sketches marvellously resemble each other. Their descriptions of the passenger likewise coincide. Narcy & Oldut were not lying.

Oldut's sketch in sand

Narcy's sketch in sand: mostly missing.

CHAMONIX (Cont. from p. 1)

The school children of Chamonix, here grouped near the police station, also saw the mysterious object. They call it "the balloon in the sky." The sceptical police say "since then, they see it every day."

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HATLIKE SPACESHIP SKETCH (*right*) was drawn in dirt by Jean Narcy to describe craft he says landed in a field near Wassy. From it emerged a little whiskered man in fur coat and orange corset.

On Oct. 5, 1954 at 7:15 a.m. "GOOD MORNING," SAID M. NARCY. THE LITTLEMAN MUTTERED "I'LL BE SEEING YOU," AND POPPED INTO HIS 10 FT. F.S.

HAUTE-MARNE

LES 2 TÉMOINS NE SE CONNAISSAIENT PAS...

Tel est le « Martien » rencontré par Nancy et Oldut. Notre dessinateur l'a minutieusement reconstitué d'après les descriptions et croquis faits par ces témoins.

Deuxième épreuve, André Navarry, 48 ans, contremaître à Montreuil, à 15 km. de Wavre. Il dispose ainsi : « C'est à 7 h. du matin que j'ai vu mon concurrent et son passager. La température anglo, orange, de 16 m. de diamètre, apparaît dans le champ de la « visière tactique ». J'étais à 100 m. Le pilote, dubonnet gaie de mon appareil, me regardait ! Il était couvert de poils et mesurait à peine 1 m. 20. Je lui fis signe. Aussitôt, il rentra dans le ventre par un hublot et s'envola à la verticale. «Tempo» disparut très vite dans les nuages. J'ai alors relevé dans l'herbe des traces de décapage produites par l'appareil ».

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CHAMONIX (Suite de la page 1)

Un climat idéal demeurera toujours la vallée de Chamonix.

Ses profondes transformations dans les rues ou bouleversent sur le pas de leur porte les habitants font déjà du projets pour la saison [illegible]

- Personne ne pourra calmer Mme Pilatus !

En bas de Chamonix, assis sur une chaise, un bagagiste juché sur une table, M. Carrier, hôtelier, étendelle :

— C'est un vilain balcon

Le « bon » ainsi que l'explique l'aviateur, n'avait ni siège, ni queue, ni appuie-reins : il était rond et plat comme une... soucoupe.

A ses [illegible]

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RADAR_Oct 19, 1954

SOUCOUPES (suite)

"RADAR" a refait le parcours d'une soucoupe en Picardie et dans les Flandres

ANNŒULIN

M. Gaston Lecœuvre.

A son bar, Mme Parzy.

Bourbote chronomètre.

Plus de 100 personnes, de Bauvin, Annœullin, Provin, localités sises à 20 km. de Lille « les » ont vues. M. Gaston Lecœuvre, un mineur d'Annœullin, raconte : « Prenant le frais sur le pas de ma porte, je vois une tache lumineuse. Soudain elle tourne puis, sans bruit, brillante comme une pièce de nickel semble se poser, puis repart au bout de 20 secondes ». Mme Parzy, qui tient le café de l'endroit, voit 3 objets lumineux. M. Bourbote, employé, affirme : « Ils évoluèrent pendant 25' »

MARCOING

Mlle Perrut était penchée à cette fenêtre quand apparut l'objet ».

Le jeune mitron Serge Pochet, a aperçu [illegible] ombres mystérieuses ».

Le col. Roux, de Lille, interroge les gendarmes qui ont vu la soucoupe

Les habitants de Marcoing, près de Cambrai, assurent n'avoir pas eu la berlue. Une soucoupe a évolué 10 minutes dans leur ciel, l'autre soir à partir de 20 h. 45. Le principal témoin ne saurait être suspecté. C'est Mlle Perrut, 20 ans, fille du gendarme Perrut. Aussitôt, elle prévint son père qui alerta ses collègues. C'est ainsi que les brigadiers Faucambergue, Delande et Blouzet virent également un objet lumineux orange qui, suivant sa vitesse, avait la forme d'une assiette, puis d'un cigare.

RIEN D'IMPOSSIBLE"

TROIS notabilités scientifiques admettent la réalité des soucoupes volantes. Ce sont MM. Louis Brégnet, René Leduc et Hermann Oberth. « Les soucoupes volantes, dit Louis Brégnet, pourquoi pas ? Et avant tout, songeons qu'il peut très bien s'agir d'êtres venus des autres mondes interplanétaires. Car, si ce que racontent les témoins est exact, je puis vous affirmer qu'il ne saurait s'agir d'engins construits par des hommes. Tous les témoignages concordent sur un point précis : les soucoupes s'élèveraient silencieusement et ne présenteraient jamais la forme aérodynamique nécessaire pour vaincre la résistance de l'air. Cela me suffit. J'ai personnellement établi les plans d'un « tuyau-sustentateur ». Il s'élèverait sur place, et obliquement, à une très grande vitesse. Avec un seul rotor, je pourrais lui donner la forme d'une soucoupe ; mais je ne parviendrais pas à supprimer son ronflement. C'est le ronflement de la réaction. Il faut donc que ces messagers empruntent leur énergie à d'autres sources. Peut-être à un champ de forces électromagnétiques créé en fer et à mesure, d'où la lueur ». René Leduc, constructeur de l'avion supersonique, pense que les visions observées démontrent que le niveau de population n'a rien de commun avec ceux que nous connaissons. Enfin, l'inventeur des V.2 l'Allemand Oberth, croit que les « Martiens » n'atterrissent pas par peur des microbes terrestres.

Louis Leprince-Ringuet député de la Loire, ému par la multiplicité des apparitions de « soucoupes volantes » a posé à la Chambre une question écrite, pour qu'un enquête sur ces «phénomènes»

Don't the French obviously have Social Investigation on?

PROVINS

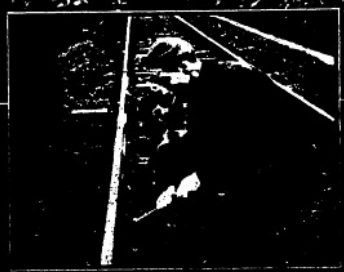
Lauriaux, à g., et Vignot fils.

Une grosse boule rouge a évolué en silence, durant 2 minutes, dans le ciel de Provins, traçant un vaste triangle horizontal. Selon, du moins, le double témoignage du fils Vignot, peintre en bâtiment et de Lauriaux, l'officier municipal...

MAUPERTHUIS

Mmes Bénard à g. et Pannetier

Bénard, entrepreneur-maçon à Maupertuis, près de Coulommiers, s'apprête à fermer son chantier. Soudain sa femme Georgette et leur voisine, Thérèse Pannetier, l'appellent : « Une boule rouge dans le ciel, venant de l'Est ! » Elle disparaît 4' plus tard.



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PIERREGOT

Mme Mansart, épicière

M. Delarousée, 38 ans.

Nadège Mansart, 3 ans

« J'ai eu terriblement peur ! Pensez donc, la soucoupe nous a suivis pendant 10 km. avant de disparaître dans l'espace à une vitesse inimaginable ! », Mme Nelly Mansart, d'Amiens, revenait, de nuit, du village d'Hélesart, en auto; quand une soucoupe orange, en forme de champignon, lui aurait donné la chasse en faisant du rase-motte à moins de 200 m. de sa voiture. 3 témoins confirment ses dires. Ses 2 passagers M. et Mme Delarousée et sa fillette, Nadège, qui répète: « J'ai vu la grosse lune ! »

BOVES

Partout les témoignages affluent. Plus aucun doute sur la matérialité des faits. A Boves, banlieue d'Amiens, bon nombre de ses 1.918 habitants ont vu les mystérieux engins. Rentrant chez eux, Mme et M. Dheilly, facteur en retraite, aperçoivent une lueur orange. Ils préviennent M. Quin. Le disque tourne 4 minutes puis il disparaît sous la forme d'un croissant... »

M. et Mme Dheilly : « Vois, il décolle... »

OLIVIERA EN FABRIQUE DEPUIS 32 ANS

BEUVRY-LES-BETHUNE. — Moi, déclare sans rire Victor Oliviera, les soucoupes ne risquent pas de m'impressionner. Figurez-vous que j'ai commencé d'en fabriquer dès 1922. Je n'avais que 25 ans mais je venais de lire dans une histoire de l'aéronautique la passionnante aventure des frères Montgolfier. Ces papetiers dauphinois du XVIII siècle ont comme vous le savez inventé les aérostats. De leurs expériences j'avais surtout retenu ceci : leurs sphères en papier huilé portaient à la partie inférieure un réchaud à charbon de bois. Pas de doute, pour qu'il y ait force ascensionnelle, il faut échauffer l'air contenu dans l'enveloppe en papier. Mes essais furent très satisfaisants. Le tintamarre même autour des soucoupes m'a donné l'envie de recommencer mes petits jeux. J'ai 60 ans, c'est vrai, mais je reste gai comme un pinson. Regardez donc mon cerf-volant. Quelle élégance, n'est-ce pas ? Et il me suffit de placer un pot de fleur à sa partie inférieure et de le remplir avec des chiffons enflammés, imbibés dans l'amiante pour obtenir une vitesse qui n'a rien de supersonique, mais produit son petit effet. Mais la plaisanterie est mal comprise. On veut me poursuivre parce que, dit on, mon système risque de provoquer des incendies ?

Oliviera montre les roues d'engrenage [illegible] chiffons [illegible]

CHAMONIX (Suite de la page 1)

Groupés près de la rendeuserie, les enfants de l'école de Chamonix ont vu, également, l'objet mystérieux. Pour les gosses, c'est « le ballon dans le ciel ». Tout simplement. Les gendarmes, eux, déclarent : « Depuis, ils en aperçoivent tous les jours »

Un chaud soleil dominical embrase la vallée de Chamonix.

Se promenant tranquillement dans les rues ou bavardant sur le pas de leur porte, les habitants font déjà des projets pour la saison 1955.

Soudain, s'élevant au-dessus du murmure des conversations, surmontant les cris des enfants, une voix, à demi-inquiète, s'élève :

— Regardez... au-dessus du Dôme du Goûter...

Instantanément des centaines de têtes se lèvent vers le ciel dans cette direction. —

Un objet rond, lumineux, allongeux se déplace lentement en direction du mont Lachat.

— C'est une soucoupe volante, assurément, assurent certains avec assurance.

— C'est un ballon-sonde, répondent d'autres, sceptiques.

Mais les plus scientifiques sont formels. Ils affirment :

— C'est un satellite.

Immédiatement, la population se divise en deux camps.

Déjà, on braque des jumelles sur les cimes enneigées. Déjà, des lunettes, des longues-vues et des télescopes scrutent inlassablement le ciel.

Reste de ce spectacle inattendu, une foule compacte se devetue bientôt dans les rues.

La gendarmerie croise de calmer les esprits en donnant qu'il s'agit là d'un simple ballon-sonde. Mais les braves

M. Chal : « Muni de jumelles, j'ai bien distingué l'objet. Il avait la forme d'un ballon, coloré rouge, bleu et blanc... »

gendarmes ne pouvant savoir que le précédent ballon-sonde se déplace contre le vent !

Un habitant, exalté par un élan de patriotisme, lance :

— Voyez, il y a des bleu, du blanc et du rouge...

Quelqu'un voit l'engin prendre un peu de recul. Il entre le devoir comme une mère de vingt ans.

Tout en haut de la ville, à l'entrée du téléphérique du Brévent, Mme Cardinaux de la Buvette, Mme Pédretti, croupissent à son ordinaire. Tout calme à la terrible, trépigne et soupire :

— C'est ou une... C'est bien une soucoupe !...

DUBOIS, directeur d'école. « Je vu le phénomène. C'était, dit-il, une planète, car moi, vous direz, les soucoupes... enfin !...

UN CAPITAINE. — Officier à l'école du haute montagne. Il ne veut pas donner un explication officiel à l'événement...

« soucoupes » — trop fantaisiste à leur goût — ils optent pour une apparition astrale.

Pendant quatre heures « l'objet rond, lumineux et allongeux » continuera à se mouvoir lentement dans le ciel pour finalement disparaître derrière le col du Bonhomme.

Dans le courant du même après-midi, à quelques kilomètres de Chamonix, un pilote volant à 2.000 mètres d'altitude, aperçoit de sa cabine un objet lumineux, rond et plat, filant à une vitesse vertigineuse.

— Le temps de braquer mon appareil et le « truc » avait déjà disparu.

Le « truc », ainsi que l'appelle l'aviateur, n'avait ni ailes, ni queue, ni empennage, ni rien : il était rond et plat comme une... soucoupe.

A ces phénomènes du ciel, qui, depuis quelques semaines se multiplient sur un rythme accéléré, le monde de la science oppose un silence circonspect. Selon les astronomes, l'événement de Chamonix se barricadera à une apparition de la planète Vénus, visible de jour, par temps clair, en haute montagne.

La pilote, par contre, n'aurait vu, selon eux, qu'un vulgaire météore.

LE BRUN. — Pilote d'avion. Il ne croyait pas aux soucoupes. Maintenant, eh bien, ma foi, il s'interroge à ce sujet.

(Suite pages suivantes)

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VRON

Tranquillement, Dervoisin monte sur un pylône. A son pied, son ami : « Trop tard, il a disparu »

Leur travail terminé, Bernard Dervoisin et René Condette, 18 ans, rentrent à Vron à bicyclette. Soudain, sur la route de Ligneucourt à Vron (près d'Abbeville) Bernard s'exclame : — Regarde, René, là-bas, à 70 m... C'est pas un animal. Tiens, en plein milieu du chemin, une soucoupe ! Et le pilote... Il a dû nous voir malgré son scaphandre et son masque. — Tu crois? — Sûrement, il contourne une engin en forme de roche, de couleur orange, et, hop ! sans un bruit, l'appareil file... Où est-il ? Là, au-dessus des betteraves : il se dirige vers le « Bois du Vert-Logis ». Pas tellement vite. Il fait du 45 à l'heure. Oui, mais quelle masse ! Au moins 2 m. de haut et 3 de large... On dirait qu'il va toucher les arbres. Va-t-il se poser plus loin ? ».

TOULON

A. Sion: « La soucoupe s'éleva comme un cendrier ».

Albert Sion, employé d'hôtel, est un privilégié. La soucoupe qu'il a rencontrée était posée à terre à 15 m. de lui ! Il roulait à moto sur un sentier près de Cuges, entre Toulon et Marseille, quand il tomba en panne en même temps que nez à nez avec l'étonnant aéronef. Il explique : « Je suis resté pantois à sa vue. « Elle » avait dans les 8 m. de diamètre et 2 m. de haut avec une sorte de coupole au sommet. Elle était couleur rouille et disparut silencieusement en tournant... »

SAUMUR

Gatey à l'endroit de l'apparition.

La soucoupe aurait atterri là où est la cabine.

Chef de chantier d'une carrière de Marcilly-sur-Vienne (Indre-et-Loire), M. Gatey est formel : « Je tire du sable avec mes six ouvriers quand tout à coup, je vois l'engin. Un appareil de forme circulaire, surmonté d'un dôme, équipé de pales semblables à celles d'un hélicoptère. Près de lui, un petit homme (environ 1 m. 50) vêtu d'une combinaison, coiffé d'un casque en matière opaque, chaussé de bottillons. Il tient à la main une sorte de tuyau. J'ai pu regarder pendant 30 secondes, avec mes camarades, cette scène troublante. Brusquement, l'inconnu remonte dans sa coupole, et l'appareil prit de la hauteur à la verticale dans un bruit d'avion à réaction, puis disparut dans une espèce de brouillard que sa machine infernale émettait ».

LEUR RÉALITÉ N'A RIEN D'IMPOSSIBLE"

ASTRAL ADVENTURERS

Frenchmen report meetings with unlikely creatures

DEPUTY DE LEOTARD

The summer in France had been enough to unnerve anyone. It had rained steadily. The crops were bad. The rabbits had died off by the thousands. And it was absolutely the worst wine year since the war. France was in no state to cope with another crisis, but it came anyway. Out of the autumn skies, from Brittany to the Riviera, dropped a covey of extraterrestrial vehicles and unearthly men. They were not the vaguely described objects sometimes seen by children and frightened old ladies. Good solid citizens: farmers, bakers and other workingmen, who had the reputation for being reliable, swore they had seen them. They even drew diagrams and pictures to prove it.

The vehicles they described were of many shapes: whirling disks, flying cigars, crowns, comets and winged mushrooms. They left skid marks in the grass at one place, gashes on a wooden railway tie in another. Out of these conveyances stepped little men of many colors, mostly pleasing pastels, though one had zebra stripes and another changed color with chameleonlike ease. They wore plastic helmets, sleeveless diving suits, orange corsets or cellophane wrappers, and spoke English, French or even Latin. Some, however, were left speechless by what they saw.

French newspapers suddenly carried almost as many reports about Martians, or whoever the outer space visitors were, as they did about Mendès-France. In the National Assembly, Deputy Pierre de Leotard (*inset*), who sometimes wears sort of an extraterrestrial look himself though he is actually a Radical-Socialist, demanded to know if the invasion threatened France's security. The government, in the novel position of facing a kind of crisis no French government had ever faced before, reserved answer.

GLOBULAR SPACESHIP SKETCH (*right*) by Gregoire Odut depicts golden disk he saw zoom from Wassy after two-legged creature leaped out for hasty look.

L'[illegible] PICARD
AMIENS

A Nouvion-en-Ponthieu

Cependant dans cette même région d'Abbeville, une autre apparition qui remonte à mercredi soir, vers 18 heures, a été constatée par une habitante de Nouvion-en-Ponthieu, Mme Barotte, qui tendait du linge dans sa cour. Elle aperçut, dit-elle, dans le ciel, un objet en forme de cigare reflétant diverses teintes (rouge, orange, argent, etc...).

Mme Barotte appela aussitôt sa voisine, Mme Crouy, gérante d'épicerie, et toutes deux virent distinctement l'engin se déplaçant à faible vitesse de l'Est vers l'Ouest, c'est-à-dire vers la mer. Elles purent le suivre des yeux jusqu'à ce qu'un nuage le leur dissimulât.

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(Omitted: first portion of the article, describing British weather balloon which came down at Saint-Blimont and was taken for the wreckage of a flying saucer.)

In the same Abbeville region, another appearance was seen last Oct. Wednesday evening, about 6 P.M., by Mme Barotte, living at Nouvion-en-Ponthieu. She was hanging out wash in her courtyard when she saw in the sky a cigar-shaped object gleaming in various colours (red, orange, silver, etc.) She immediately called a neighbour, Mme. Crouy, owner of a grocery store, and both distinctly saw the craft moving at low speed from east to west, i.e., toward the sea. They could follow it by eye until a cloud hid it from sight.

SIGHTING:
OCT. 6, 1954 - ABBEVILLE REGION, FRANCE.

Les visiteurs de l'espace, ces inconnus

Le Martien les regardait en silence et lorsque Georges Gatay, le chef de chantier qui se sentait envahir d'une étrange torpeur leva les yeux vers le bord de la carrière, la plus fantastique apparition qu'il eût pu imaginer, le cloua sur place. Cela se passait voici deux semaines à peine et depuis l'étrange visite, ce solide garçon d'une trentaine d'années ne mange presque plus et ne dort guère...

Il était à peu près 16 h. 30 et les cinq compagnons extrayaient de la carrière de Marcilly-sur-Vienne des graviers et des pierres pour les Ponts et Chaussées à l'aide d'une pelleteuse mécanique et d'un certain nombre de machines bruyantes. Creusée au bord de la route de Nouatre, cette carrière est la seule excavation au milieu d'une vaste plaine dégarnie d'arbres. Ces cinq ouvriers, MM. Rougier, Séché, Berois, Lubanevic et Villeneuve en attendaient un sixième, M. Admault le chauffeur d'un lourd camion qui venait faire le plein. L'air ensoleillé de cette fin d'après-midi était limpide et sans le moindre nuage. C'est alors que la chose arriva...

« Je n'ai pas la berlue, pensa Georges Gatay en se passant la main sur les yeux, c'est bien une soucoupe volante... et un Martien. » Successivement ses camarades de travail regardèrent dans la direction et firent la même réflexion. Un objet circulaire surmonté d'un dôme d'un gris métallique se tenait immobile à environ un mètre du sol. Il semblait que des pales tournent à très grande vitesse car elles étaient attachées. L'ensemble avait l'apparence d'un bol renversé. Mais le plus étrange de tout était ce petit être d'un mètre cinquante-cinq environ, qui se tenait immobile devant. Vêtu d'une sorte de combinaison plastique, chaussé de bottillons de même matière, il portait sur la tête un casque opaque qui lui couvrait le visage.

« Une sorte de projecteur émettant une lueur très douce était fixé sur sa poitrine et attirait nos regards », racontèrent les témoins par la suite. « A la main l'être d'un autre monde tenait une espèce de revolver ou de tube de métal. L'apparition ne dura qu'une minute, une minute et demie peut-être, puis l'individu disparut peu à peu comme une image qui s'efface sur un écran et l'appareil remonta par saccades, brusques vers le ciel. Arrivé à une centaine de mètres du sol il s'entoura d'un nuage circulaire, rappelant une fumée blanche artificielle et disparut. » C'est à ce moment-là qu'arrivait M. Admault. De la cabine de son camion il n'eut que le temps d'apercevoir l'étrange machine avant qu'elle ne disparaisse dans le nuage.

Aux enquêteurs qui les pressaient de questions, les témoins de cette visite spirale ont répondu catégoriquement : « Nous ne sommes pas des illuminés, nous sommes sûrs de ce que nous avons vu ».

Aujourd'hui, ces témoins sont beaucoup moins catégoriques. Leur petite histoire a fait son chemin et devant la population narquoise et sceptique, ils ont adopté l'attitude la plus prudente : celle du silence...

D'autres personnes en France ont vu ou touché ces êtres mystérieux. Un enfant de Mouzé qui n'avait jamais entendu parler de soucoupes volantes, a dû avoir été embrassé par un être « haut comme une porte et brillant comme une armoire à glace », et les femmes n'ont pu faire taire ce gamin de 12 ans. Enfin voici la bombe à retardement. Un Anglais se déclare le premier terrien à être entré en contact avec un Martien.

« Il avait un charmant sourire comme peu de terriens en ont ». Et Cedric Allingham qui va faire paraître à Londres le récit de cette brève rencontre, lève le bras pour saluer le Martien qui lui répondit courtoisement. Cet Anglais, féru d'astronomie et ornithologue professionnel, n'a pas eu la berlue lui non plus et a fourni à l'appui de ses dires plusieurs photographies et le témoignage écrit d'un paysan témoin de la scène.

L'ouvrage de C. Allingham sera d'ici peu traduit en français et les curieux vont alors tout le loisir d'en faire la critique. Retenons-en seulement la séduisante description du visiteur de l'espace. Il était grand, bien proportionné et sa voix évoquait un bruit de source vive. Les seuls détails insolites dans cette silhouette étaient deux petits tiges reliés par un fil passé dans les narines de l'inconnu et lorsqu'il se retourna une étrange patte de bretelle dont l'utilité n'a pas été découverte. Attendons que la chose d'un autre monde veuille bien atterrir à nouveau pour nous l'expliquer...

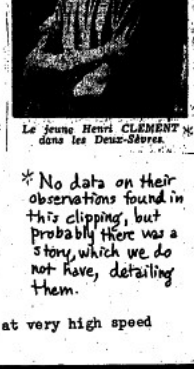
« Les soucoupes volantes ont atterri ». Sous ce titre le grand champion des relations interplanétaires, Georges Adamski, lança aux U.S.A. le récit de ses conversations passionnantes avec les Vénusiens. L'ouvrage fut un best-seller aussitôt traduit et plusieurs fois réédité, mais les déclarations de l'auteur trop impressionné, semble-t-il, par les récits d'anticipations n'ont pas encore reçu de confirmation et n'en recevront peut-être jamais. Comme Cedric Allingham, Adamski était son récit d'empreintes de pas réunissons moulées en plâtre de Paris et de photographies de leur merveilleux appareil volant. Il eut même, paraît-il, le grand honneur de se promener pendant vingt minutes dans l'un de ces engins et put s'entretenir longuement avec les Vénusiens sans ouvrir la bouche... par transmission de pensée. H. G. Wells est très nettement battu par Adamski et l'auteur de la « Guerre des Mondes » n'avait guère d'imagination.

Le Courrier de l'Ouest (Angers) October 19, 1954

Ceux qui "en" ont vu

Mme GUILLEMOTEAU en Vendée

Georges GATAY, chef de chantier en Touraine



Le jeune Henri CLEMENT dans les Deux-Sèvres.

The Martian was looking at them in silence...It happened scarcely two weeks ago. Since that strange visit, this solid fellow (Gatay), only about 30 years old, hardly eats or sleeps any more.

It was about 4:30 PM; the 5 workmen were digging stones and gravel at the Marcilly-sur-Vienne quarry, using a mechanical shovel and several noisy machines. This quarry, cut beside the Nouatre road, is the only excavation in the midst of a vast deforested plain. The five workers, MM. R-, S-, B-, L-, & V-, were waiting for a sixth, M. Amiralt, the driver of a heavy truck which was to be loaded. The sunny late-afternoon air was clear without a trace of clouds. Then the thing happened.

"It's not spots before the eyes", thought Georges Gatay, passing his hand over his eyes, "it is really a flying saucer--and a Martian." One after another, his fellow-workers looked in the same direction and came to the same conclusion. A circular object surmounted by a grey metallic dome was hanging motionless about a meter off the ground. Propellers turning at very high speed

* No data on their observations found in this clipping, but probably there was a story, which we do not have, detailing them.

seemed to be attached to it. The whole thing looked like an upside-down bowl. But strangest of all was the little creature about 155 cm (5'1") high, who was standing motionless in front of it. Dressed in a sort of plastic uniform, shod in booties of the same material, he was wearing an opaque helmet that hid his face.

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(Cedric Allingham; George Adamski.)

Samedi-Soir, Oct. 14, 1954 (Conclusion of "La Grande Farce des Martiens")

SIGHTINGS:

1. OCT. 6 1954 - WASSY (HAUTE-MARNE)
2. OCT. 4, 1954 - ST. PARDOUX (LOT)
3. OCT. 3, 1954 - CAHEIX (DRODOGNE) P.R.
4. OCT. 9, 1954 - LAVOUX (VIENNE), FR #1903
5. NLT 9-30-1954 - DIGES (L'YONNE) FR
6. OCT. 2, 1954 - BERGERAC
7. NLT - 10-14-54 POURNOY-LA-CHETIVE, (MOSELLE) #1902
8. NLT - 10-14-54 OLERON, FR

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(Cédric Allingham; Georges Adamski.)

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SIGHTINGS:

1. OCT. 5, 1954 - WASSY (HAUTE-MARNE)
2. OCT. 4, 1954 - ST. PARDOUX (LOT)
3. OCT. 3, 1954 - CHALEIX (PRODOGNE) PR. #1905
4. OCT. 9, 1954 - LAVOUX (VIENNE), PR
5. NLT 9-30-54 - DIGES (YONNE) FR
6. OCT. 2, 1954 - BERGERAC
7. NLT 10-14-54 FOURNOY-LA-CHETIVE, (MOSELLE) #1922
8. NLT 10-14-54 OLERON, PR

Must we go on? (Yes, you must--AIM.)

(1) Must we cite the furred being, wearing a wide orange corset around his waist, seen near a saucer by M. Harvy, beside the road at Nassy (Haute-Marne), October 5th, at 7:15 A.M.?

(2) Or the man 95 cm. (3'2") tall, wearing a wide leather girdle, boots, and a slip, who rose in the air by virtue of two pear-shaped boxes beneath his arms. This being was seen by M. Lacombre, forester at Saint-Pardoux (Lot), the Monday, Oct. 4th, at 8:10 AM, and the witness even determined from the footprints that the little man wore a size 21 shoe.

(3) What to think of the declaration of M. Garreau who swears on his honour that he saw a "flying soupdish" land on his property, from which two perfectly normal men emerged, who shook his hand and patted his dog before leaving as quickly as they had come? OCT. 8 or 9, 1954

(4) And this one, from Lavoux (Vienne.) M. Roger Barrault, on Saturday, Oct. 9, at 7 P.M., was paralysed by a luminous ray coming from a helmet-wearing person 150 cm (4'11") tall, wearing boots, with shining eyes, and adorned with a big mustache.

(5) And the cigar that landed in a clearing at Digos (l'Yonne), near which the widow Geffrey saw the back of a man wearing a uniform and a khaki cap.

(6) And M. Jean Labonne, of Bergerac, who perceived a metal mushroom in his garden on October 2, at 10 P.M. "Who's there?" he cried, seeing a shadow. "What do you want?" But the shadow climbed into his mushroom, which rose with prodigious rapidity.

(Cedric Allingham story then given)

Finally, according to the latest news, a veritable avalanche of Martians has just tumbled down on our soil.

(7) At Pourmay-la-Châtive, in Moselle, three children were roller-skating when a round machine, 2.5 meters in diameter, landed near them. A man came out of it, holding a lighted lamp that blinded the children. He was dressed in a black costume "like the curé", and after having delivered himself of a few incomprehensible words he flew off in his saucer.

(8) On the island of Oléron, for the first time, it was two Martian girls who landed. M. Martin, a [illegible] colonial schoolmaster, brings us their description. They wore leather boots (bottillons) and gloves, as well as shiny helmets. They were extremely pretty, and were so kind as to give their autographs to the schoolmaster.

A whole volume would be needed to give all the cases in detail. Every one of them swears to high heaven he is inventing nothing. Their friends echo them. Make up such a story--a father of a family, known for his honourable character! A boy who never drank a drop of alcohol in his life! Nonsense!

What then? Must we conclude that they have really seen strange beings, hairy, helmeted, booted, speaking an incomprehensible language? Must we believe in this tale of mysterious green rays that paralyse human beings? Or are these stories made up of whole cloth? Or do they rest on a base of truth subsequently ornamented with fiction?

Absolutely nothing, on the basis of present knowledge, permits a conclusion that the reports are authentic. The investigations have been conducted as if it were a question of "verifying" the witnesses' statements, not in the spirit of patiently eliminating all the plausible and relatively simple explanations. These explanations are numerous; they range from joke to hallucination, passing through optical illusion. To eliminate them, an extremely thorough docket would be required--fortified, in every case, by a searching psychological examination.

If this were done, only the facts that are logically inexplicable would survive...one would then perceive that the data were extremely sparse, or even nonexistent, and that there is far too much fable in all this business.

(Poor soul! he has to imagine the reports explained away--AIM.)

Do The Oranais Believe In Flying Saucers?

by Marcel Fargier

(translated only in part)

Every day, roadworkers, gatekeepers, peasants and even former pilots make the acquaintance of Martians!

...In the lines which follow...we will not risk offering an explanation of these machines, whose very existence is considered a gigantic joke in official circles.

Paradoxical as it may appear, it is the thousands of reports received from all over the world which, by their imprecision, fantasy, lack of objectivity, and often grotesque character, forbid the prudent men of science to accept the hypothesis of their existence.

...For the past few weeks, one notes a recrudescence in the press of the most diverse testimonies:

October 6, about 7:15 AM, [illegible] Harvy, a roadmender at Merbrud (Haute-Marne), was going to work, when he noticed an orange-coloured object in a field. When he approached it, he found that it was a machine of unknown character. By the time he was within 100 meters of it, he saw a little being about 120 cm (4 feet) tall, dressed in a hairy overcoat. According to M. Harvy, the craft was spherical, with a diameter of about 10 meters.

Perhaps the good roadmender of Merbrud shows his good faith in his declarations; however, he is the only one to have observed any such "object" in that locality, so how can the authenticity of his assertions be guaranteed?

Two days earlier, another case had been reported. The information which has appeared comes from Limoges.

A farmworker of Chaleix (Dordogne), M. Garreau, states he saw a "flying soupdish" land on his property. He declares that two perfectly normal men dressed in khaki uniforms got out, shook his hand, and spoke to him in an unknown tongue. Stupefied, he made no answer. The two men patted his dog, then reëntered their machine, which flew away noiselessly at giddy speed.

So here we have had two very different shapes for the craft: the sphere and the soupdish. Here are two more:

"Two residents of the Toulouse suburbs, MM. Pierre Vidal and his nephew Angel Hurlé, saw a giant rocket this morning before dawn, hardly a hundred meters from their house. It rose from a field, and rapidly disappeared into the sky, giving off light of rare intensity."

The next one comes from Vienna:

"M. Harold Krwitzberg, the Berge Lifar of Austria, living at Seefeld in the Tyrol, observed from his garden a flying saucer hovering for several seconds over the little town before turning northward and disappearing behind the mountains."

...Reading these stories, which are admittedly interesting, confirms the partisans of the existence of "flying saucers" in their opinion. These reports, coming in at more or less regular intervals for a number of years now, cannot but have some effect on the attitude of the antagonists... This polemic threatens to go on for a long, long time...the theories of the specialists do not produce conviction...a serious investigation is imperative.

...we have to reject five recent sightings - exceptional ones ...

At Vernon, the young witness rejoices in a vivid imagination, well known in the area.

At Quarouble, the crossing-guard...has suffered a head injury a year ago, and besides, is subject to nervous disorders....

Near Amiens, four practical jokers have admitted that they wanted to make fun of their friends.

At Bougnat, (Correze), Mr. Massud was probably kissed by somebody, but the air police (? Police de l'air) believe that a light plane came, in that lonely region and at dusk, for a meeting with a smuggler.

At Quintilleux, near St.-Etienne, the huge twin of Hitler, with a double face (grimacing in front and jovial at the back), getting into his saucer without opening the door, like a phantom, really seems too childish. The witnesses, comedians and authors, probably have the romantic spirit that goes with this kind of apparition. And their martian has at least furnished them with material for a sketch or novel.

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Should we conclude that all the sightings come from deranged imaginations? Certainly not. Kenneth Arnold and Mantelle were not "dreamers." Nor are most of the French witnesses. (end of article.)

Published on oct 5, 1954 (article #2 by Gabriel Heros.

Un corbeau dans le pétrin

Loctudy (Finistère), mardi 5 octobre 1954, 4 heures du matin.

PIERRE LUCAS, ouvrier boulanger, a presque terminé sa tâche. La pâte est au four et en attendant qu'elle cuise, il faut nettoyer le pétrin. Pierre s'empare d'un seau et sort dans la cour de la boulangerie pour tirer de l'eau à la pompe.

Or que voit maître Pierre au beau milieu de la cour ? Un engin de la forme d'une soucoupe de 2 m. 50 à 3 mètres de diamètre, d'où sort brusquement un « individu » mesurant environ 1 m. 20. Cet individu, sans la moindre crainte, s'approche de Pierre, lui met la main sur l'épaule familièrement et lui dit :

— Oumbrrr... Grabrotrri Trozi... Brrooquphisloq...

Que croyez-vous que fait Pierre Lucas ? Se met-il à pousser des cris ? S'enfuit-il à toutes jambes ? Ce n'est tout de même pas courant, même à Loctudy, de voir une soucoupe volante et un Martien dans la cour de la boulangerie.

Mais non ! Pierre est un gars qui a du sang-froid. Tranquillement, il rentre au fournil avec l' « individu » sur ses pas. Là, dans la lumière, il voit les traits du visiteur : un visage ovale, tout couvert de poils et des yeux de la grosseur d'un œuf de corbeau.

Ma Doué ! Sûr que le patron voudrait bien voir ça. Pierre appelle :

— Patron ! Patron ! Venez voir !

Mais le Martien, s'il ne parle pas le français, le comprend sans doute, car le voilà qui s'élance hors du fournil, traverse la cour, grimpe dans la soucoupe et hop ! Plus personne... Le patron de Pierre Lucas ne verra pas l'être aux yeux comme des œufs de corbeau. Dommage. Vraiment dommage, car deux paires d'yeux valent mieux qu'une.

Samedi-Soir, October 14, 1954.
(From "La Grande Farce des Martiens.")

#1787

A CROW IN THE KNEADING-TROUGH (title seems obscure--ADM)

Loctudy (Finistère), Tuesday, October 5, 1954, 4 A.M.:

Pierre Lucas, bakery worker, had almost finished his work. The dough was in the oven and, while it baked, the kneading-trough had to be cleaned. Pierre took a bucket and went out into the courtyard to get water from the pump.

What he saw, in the middle of the courtyard, was a saucer-shaped craft 2.5 to 3 meters in diameter, from which an "individual" about 120 cm (4 feet) tall suddenly emerged. This individual, without the least fear, came up to Pierre, put his hand familiarly on his shoulder, and said to him:

"Oumbrrr... Grabrotrri Trozi... Brrooquphisloq..."

What do you suppose Pierre Lucas did? Did he let out a howl, or take to his heels? After all it is not commonplace to see a flying saucer and a Martian in a bakery yard. But Pierre is a fellow with sang-froid. Calmly he re-entered the bakehouse with the "individual" at his heels. There, in the light, he was able to see the features of his visitor: an oval face all covered with hair, and eyes the size of a crow's egg.

Gosh! Sure that the boss would want to see this, Pierre called out: "Boss! Boss! Come and look!"

But the Martian, though he spoke no French, evidently understood it, for out the door he went, crossed the yard, climbed into his saucer, and bingo! nobody there. Pierre Lucas' boss did not get to see the being with crow-egg eyes. A pity, for two pairs of eyes are better than one.

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#1787

Loctudy, France, October 5, 1954 at 4:00 a.m.

Loctudy, France, Oct. 11 (INS) The young man in the photo here is Pierre Lucas, a 20-year-old baker in the village of Loctudy, and he's pointing to the spot in the village street where he says he saw a "flying saucer" parked. It was like this: early last Wednesday morning Pierre left the bakery to go to the village pump for water...On his return with a pail of same, Pierre was about to open the door when he felt a touch on his shoulder. He look (sic) around(who wouldn't?) and there was a four foot something with huge head, big eyes and a bearded face. Behind this creature on the street was a round-contraption, about nine feet in diameter. The four-footer talked, but Pierre was unable to understand. He dropped his pail of water and took off into the bakery yelling for his employer. When the boss came out, there was no saucer, no little man with a huge head, big eyes and a beard. No nuttin. However, from at least five parts of the world today came stories similar to Pierre's. From Germany, Belgium, Egypt, Argentina, Lebanon and the French Cameroons, came stories of disks, cigar-shaped craft, mysterious blue lights and little men.

#1737

RADAR
Oct. 17, 1954

QUIMPER.--"Yes, indeed, gentlemen," bakery worker Pierre Lucas of Loctudy (Finistère) tells RADAR's reporters, "the mannikin I saw the other night was just this high. I had gone out for a moment to get water from the pump. All of a sudden, I saw a ball of fire descending from the heavens. It made not the slightest noise. In the wink of an eye, it had landed in a field on the other side of the road. I distinctly saw the three feet on which it stood as it rested on the ground. A yellow light illuminated its upper portion. Suddenly there was this individual (our illustrator represents him above) tapping me on the shoulder. I saw him just as I see you. He had a bearded face and only a single eye, but perhaps he was wearing a mask. On his head, a helmet similar to that worn by *motards*. Wires like radio antennas stuck out of it. Frankly, I was scared. I left my bucket and reëntered the bakery. The boss came out. There was nothing there any more."

ON 5 OCT. 8, 1954 4:00 A.M.

MARTIAN MEN'S HEIGHT is shown by two bakers. Pierre Lucas (*left*) of Loctudy was going to well when, he said, orange ball fell from the sky. Suddenly a small bearded figure with one eye in middle of his forehead tapped him on shoulder. Serge Pochet (*right*) of Marcoing was approached by two small shadows.

Martians over France

One morning last October, Jean Narcy, a road mender of Haute-Marne, France, was riding to work on his bicycle. In a wheat field he saw a little whiskered man just under 4 ft. tall, who wore a fur coat, an orange corset and a plush cap.

"*Bonjour*," said M. Narcy.

The little man muttered something like "I'll be seeing you." Then he jumped into a small (10 ft. in diameter) flying saucer, took off with a buzzing sound and disappeared into the clouds.

With Narcy's "hairy Martian" as a starting point, the French press ran wild, and a deluge of Martians has been raining down ever since. They have come in flying cigars, crowns, comets, winged mushrooms, even a flying chamber pot. Unlike Americans who have seen flying saucers, the French "sighters" paid little attention to the vehicles. They were more interested in the people from space.

The Martians were anything but standardized. One who stopped M. Roger Barrault near the town of Lavoux had brilliant eyes, an enormous mustache, wore rubbers and spoke Latin. Another asked M. Pierre Lucas, a Breton baker, for a light. He was bearded and had a single eye in the middle of his forehead. M. Lucas could not remember what language he spoke.

Paralyzing Pygmies. As the Martian invasion of France proceeded, the invaders became more bizarre. A troup of pygmies in plastic helmets gamboled down a railroad track near Quarouble and transfixed M. Marius Dewilde with "a paralyzing beam of light." Some Martians were blue, others were yellow or pink. A traveling salesman of the Côtes-du-Nord saw a wonderful sight: a deep rose flying cigar from which stepped a zebra-striped Martian. As he alighted, he changed color, chameleon-like, from yellow to green.

The Martians marched en masse into French affairs. Cartoonists welcomed them delightedly (*see cuts*). As they multiplied, they even gained respectability. *Le Figaro* reported: "Counsellor General of Alpes Maritimes greets flying saucers' first appearance on the Côte d'Azur." *France Soir* announced that "a daily flying-saucer service seems to have been established between Marais Poitevin and La Rochelle." A man from space even made the social columns of *Paris Presse*: "Mustached Martian spends weekend at Vienna." Angry deputies asked questions in Parliament. Air Force authorities (even as in the U.S.) were badgered for explanations.

Before the many-colored Martians rained down on France, famed Swiss Psychiatrist C. G. Jung was asked what he thought about the saucer epidemic.

"Something is being seen," said Jung. "What is seen may be, in the case of a single observer, a subjective vision (hallucination). In the case of several or many observers, it may be a collective vision. Such a psychic phenomenon . . . could be a spontaneous reaction of the subconscious to the present conscious situation: the fear of an apparently insoluble political situation in the world . . . At such times eyes turn heavenwards . . . and miraculous forebodings of a threatening or consoling nature appear from on high."

"What's the matter? Can't you read?"

"And I suppose that's a Martian?"

"Those must come from Venus!"

"Come on—we'll show you our moon."

Franco-Dimanche

No More Dreams. Dr. Jung blames the U.S. Air Force for mishandling the saucer epidemic and for permitting irresponsible journalists to pump it for bits of sensational-sounding information.* He does not believe that the saucers are space ships. Those that are not hallucinations, he thinks, are probably misinterpretations of physical objects or effects. But he was willing to speculate about the effect on the human race of an invasion by beings from another world.

"Should the origin of the phenomenon turn out to be an extraterrestrial one," said Dr. Jung, "it would prove an intelligent interplanetary link. The impact of such a fact on humanity is unforeseeable. But, without doubt, we would be placed in the very questionable position of today's primitive societies that clash with the superior cultures of the white race. All initiative would be wrested from us. As an old witch doctor once said to me, with tears in his eyes: 'We would have no more dreams.'

"Our sciences and technology would go to the junk pile. What such a catastrophe would mean morally we can gauge by the pitiful decline of the primitive cultures that takes place before our eyes. The capacity to manufacture [interplanetary space ships] points to a technology towering sky high over ours.

"Just as the Pax Britannica made an end to tribal warfare in Africa, so our world could roll up its Iron Curtain and use it for scrap . . . This might not be so bad. But we would have been 'discovered' and colonized."

Tubeless Radio

The first fully transistorized radio was claimed this week by Regency, a division of Industrial Development Engineering Associates. It is not quite the wristwatch radio of the comics, but it is only a small pocketful (3 by 5 by 1¼ in.), and it makes loud music on a single hearing-aid battery. Inside, instead of vacuum tubes, it has four transistors.

The chief advantage of transistors—besides their smallness—is that they have no glowing filament and therefore need no "A current" to keep the filament hot. All they need is the "B current," and very little of that. According to Edward C. Tudor, president of I.D.E.A., the 22½-volt B battery (cost: $1.15) lasts 20 to 30 hours if used continuously, longer when played intermittently.

* The most complete deflation of the flying-saucer delusion was written by Captain Edward J. Ruppelt, who was in charge of the Air Force's careful saucer investigation from 1951 to 1953. It was printed in the May issue of *True* Magazine, which had much to do with augmenting the saucer hubbub. Captain Ruppelt's conclusion: visiting space ships are theoretically possible, but there has been no evidence to support this possibility.

Mans, Cherbourg, Finistere, Indre & Mulhouse, France, October 8, 1954

Paris, Oct. 9 (AFP)—On Friday, several mysterious craft were once more seen in the sky of France.

1. Near Mans, a milk collector declared that his truck stopped for an unknown reason and that, when he got out, he saw a luminous red and blue flying cigar, about a meter long, pass over him. When the machine had disappeared, the truck motor again began to operate.

2. At Cherbourg, several people saw a "luminous sphere" at a rather high altitude. After hovering over the town, this disappeared toward the south.

3. In Finistere, many people were alarmed by a luminous sphere maneuvering only about a dozen meters from the ground, which seemed to move toward them.

4. A resident of the Indre observed a grey-colored object motionless at about 100 meters altitude. The craft then departed at a very brisk pace, leaving a sort of fog behind it. Another resident of this department declared that he saw a luminous pale red-orange object moving along a north-south axis.

5. Finally, a road-mender of the Mulhouse region says that he saw a hemispherical, internally illuminated cupola in a field. Before taking to his heels he had time to notice that a door was opening in the craft. The object maneuvered above him before disappearing.

LE MANS, FRANCE, Oct. 9, 1954 (Reuters)— A "flying cigar" which can stop cars and put out their lights was reported by milkman Alexandre Tremblais today.

Tremblais said he was driving his milk truck along a road when suddenly the engine stopped and the headlights went out. He got out and saw a shining red and blue "cigar" about three feet long speed over his vehicle.

A few minutes later his engine started and his lights worked again.

Meanwhile, a flying saucer reported to have crashed near Abbeville turned out to be a meteorological balloon used by the British Royal Air Force. It had burst upon touching the ground.

Other reports of strange objects seen in the skies all over France included a "flying illuminated mushroom," a bright smoking orange disc and a grey machine making a loud whistling noise.

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October 8, 1954 #616

'Saucers' Over Austria

Thousands of people watched a formation of luminous "saucers" fly over the town of Ried, Upper Austria, yesterday, according to Vienna police. The "saucers" flew at a great height from East to West.

Pastel Saucer

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Newark Evening News, Saturday, Oct. 9, 1954 - PASTEL SAUCER

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Herr Hoge, the projectionist, mentioned "oversized heads, delicate legs and rubber-like clothing" on his little men. They apparently were not green, however, and had no antennae.

though we can expect home-grown reports to come flocking in shortly. Saucer stories always come in waves.

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the F100, America's latest jet fighter aircraft.

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'Saucers' Return All Over World

(International News Service)

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Then, the movie projectionist added, he suddenly sighted four creatures about 3½ feet in height. He said they had "thick-set bodies, oversized heads and delicate legs" and were rubber-like clothing.

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Eight Chameleon Object

Several hundred witnesses in Alexandria told of seeing a luminous object which changed in color from red to orange as it streaked through the sky. Later the mysterious object turned green and then a sort of gray-blue.

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Object Shaped Like Mushroom

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German Reports Saucer Manned By Little 'Men'

By International News Service

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GERMA... 'CREATURES'

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SAUCER, OR FLYING QUATRE-CHEVAUX?

Besançon, Oct. 26.--M. Francesko Beuc, 48, farm worker at Orchamps-Vennes (Doubs), has testified that on Oct. 12 he saw a flying saucer, but that, fearing he would not be believed, he has said nothing about it until now.

Two weeks ago, about 9 P.M., M. Beuc was returning to the farm where he works when he suddenly noticed, motionless beside the road, a machine looking similar to a "4 CV" [quatre-chevaux; presumably a car or truck or tractor of some kind]* supported by four wheels of about 40 cm. [16"] diameter.

The farmer approached to within a meter of the craft, and noticed, nearby, a being 150 cm. [slightly under 5 feet] tall, dressed in a leather jacket and wearing a helmet. After M. Beuc questioned the mysterious pilot, he immediately jumped into the machine, which after rolling about 30 meters down the road, took off like an airplane and rapidly gained altitude.

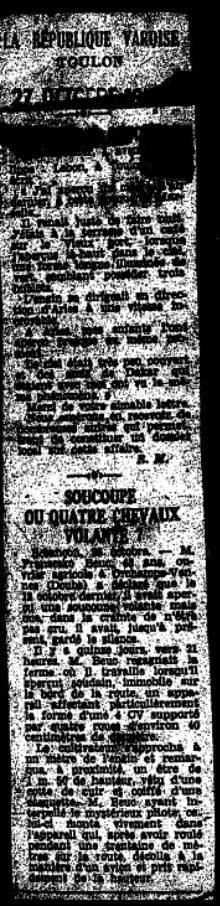
[*4 hp is too small for a power vehicle. A four-horse farm wagon, perhaps?] #1807

Near St. Etienne, France, October 10, 1954 AI-F- #1806

Lyon, Oct. 13, 1954 (AFP)-- Could flying saucers be responsible for ignition failures of automobiles on the roads of France?

This question is suggested by the statement of a truckdriver printed in the newspaper "Le Progres de Lyon", an abstract of which is given here.

A strange adventure happened Sunday night to M. Baptiste Jourdy, a "solid and calm" man of about 30, who drives a milk pick-up truck every night to St. Etienne. At about 4 a.m., under an overcast sky, M. Jourdy was driving across an uninhabited plateau, when his motor suddenly stalled and his headlights went out. The younf man stopped his vehicle, and got out to examine the battery for the cause of the ignition failure. All of a sudden, he saw above him an enormous multicolored "thing", moving in the sky perpendicularly to the road. The wirness could not be definite about the shape of this light, which receded at great speed beneath the cloud ceiling. The passage of the object lasted for some seconds, possibly a minute. When the young man recovered from his amazement, he noticed that, without knowing his having touched anything, his headlights were on again. The motor started at the first trial. The battery cables were intact. (Transl. by A. Mebane)



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NY Herald Tribune
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Africa's Lighter Side

Tracking Flying Saucers In the Belgian Congo

By ART BUCHWALD

LINGALA, Belgian Congo.

It is obvious from all reports that flying saucers have been in Africa. On Oct. 10, three distinguished citizens of French Equatorial Africa saw a flying saucer going south at exactly 7:30 in the evening, local time. It was yellow when it first appeared on the horizon, but turned red before it disappeared at 8:15, still local time.

...assured him we did not come to

(The remainder of the article is a continuation of the story of the incident - we have omitted)

Because of Hoge's story some UFO censors found it easy to ridicule the entire INS account. But a report, flashed to them from London on October 14, hit with a harder impact. For this was an officially confirmed Royal Air Force report.

Shortly after 4:00 P.M., Flight Lieutenant J. R. Salandin had taken off from North Weald, Essex, in a Meteor jet fighter. It was a bright, clear day, and as Salandin climbed above the Thames Estuary he sighted two other Meteor jets flying high above him. #2453

As his plane reached 16,000 feet, Salandin suddenly saw two round objects racing between the other Meteors. Within seconds the two UFO's vanished. As he turned back, looking through his canopy windshield, Salandin froze.

Coming at him, head on, was another flying saucer! In the last split second the saucer flipped to one side and streaked past the fighter.

But in that taut moment Salandin got a clear view of the mystery ship. The main body was like two saucers pressed together. It had a dome-shaped top and a similar round projection beneath. It glowed with a silver metallic gleam.

"The object was traveling at a tremendous speed," Flight Lieutenant Salandin later told the British *Flying Saucer Review*. "I was so shaken I had to fly around quietly for about 10 minutes to recover."

After the Pentagon's frantic attempts to label all sightings as mistakes or illusions, Salandin's officially confirmed report gave UFO censors the jitters. It would not take many news stories like these to expose the cover-up policy.

Corriere della Sera
(Milano)

Searched Oct. 12 – Oct. 21:

Oct. 18, p. 8 (3"). London, Oct 15 – acc. to the Evening News of London, a 23 yr-old girl of Southend claimed she saw a flying cylinder land in a street in a park. 4 meters high & 3 meters in diameter, with a tube 30 to 40 cm & man's body fixed to it. Silvery. She ran, & on return, it was gone.

VIENNA, Oct. 13, 1954 — The communists have come up with their own explanation of flying saucers—a party line explanation. It seems flying saucers are real enough, but according to Communism, they're just American propaganda. The view is expressed in a newspaper in Communist Roumania. The article says the saucers are not secret weapons—just cardboard disks, wrapped in silver paper & lighted with a string of bulbs, battery powered.

The aim, says the Communist article, is to stir a flying saucer psychosis against Moscow.

AI file –

Paris (AFP) Oct. 13, 1954

Anatolia (d'autre part)—Ankara ~~xxx~~ – several people living in "le quartier Ulus" saw about noon an object which remained motionless above them "longtemps." Suddenly moved a grand vitesse and disappeared.

Metz & Chateaubriant, France; Ankara, Turkey, Oct. 13, 1954 AI-F-

Paris, Oct. 13 (AFP)— Observations of flying saucers and cigars were again reported today from certain points of France and ~~xxxxx~~ Europe. Inquiries into previous reports were also in progress.

Military authorities continue their investigation of the saucer which appeared in the beam of a searchlight installed at the Metz Fair-Exposition. The searchlight operators saw, at a distance estimated ~~xxxx~~ as 10 km, a luminous circle which remained immobile during several hours. However, the radar operators, who were alerted, were unable to detect anything. ~~xxxxx~~ Military authorities are investigating the possibility that some peculiar meteorological phenomenon may have been responsible.

Near the locality of Chateaubriant, in the center of France, a thirteen-year-old boy claims to have seen a machine shaped like a phosphorescent cigar only a dozen meters away. A passenger, dressed in a suit and gray hat, and wearing boots, supposedly told him "Look, but don't touch." The man is said to have got back into the flying cigar, which took off vertically.

On the other hand, Anatolia had not previously had the privilege of seeing flying saucers above its territory. A report originating in Ankara indicates that this gap is now filled. Several persons living in the Ulus quarter of Ankara saw, about noon, an object which remained immobile above them for a long time. Suddenly, it moved off at great speed, and disappeared.

Derby Evening Telegraph
(Derby)
#1811 10-13
DATE 14 OCT 1954

Another one out of the blue?

A "FLYING SAUCER" pilot was last night reported to have tried to refuel his 12-foot long torpedo-shaped machine at the expense of French Railways.

M. Langers, a railwayman, who works at Montlucon Station, Central France, said he saw the pilot and his machine outside a diesel oil store there.

HAIRY COAT

He asked the man, who was either covered with hair or wearing a long hairy overcoat, what he wanted. The man said something in Langers could not make out, but he thought he heard the word "gasoil."

M. Langers started off to report to the stationmaster, but before he had gone 200 yards the machine took off and vanished.

Saucers Back Again —This Time Bangkok

BANGKOK, Oct. 13 (UPI) — [illegible] Thailand which has been feeling ignored by interplanetary voyagers—indeed a sign of relief today after, a flying saucer was sighted over Bangkok.

Thailand newspapers, excited by Agence France Presse, not only hailed the sighting of a saucer over their city "at last," but declared that "reliable information reveals that saucerlet guests from outer space . . . are directing their attention here with a friendly attitude toward the people of Bangkok."

PERPIGNAN, France, Oct. 13 (UPI)—A retired French customs man today reported he saw a flying saucer land and a tall man dressed in "a devil's suit" step out.

Flying saucer pilot asked for oil, says railwayman

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That is the latest report in a spate of French accounts of [illegible]

OCT 14 1954

Bondowoso, East Java, Tues., October 19, 1954 AI-F #1817

Djakart, Java, Oct. 20 (AFP)— The Indonesian Agency Antara reported that on Tuesday night, at 9:00 p.m. local time, the population of Bondowoso, in the eastern part of Java, had been struck with terror upon seeing a white and green disc, which passed at great speed over the village and disappeared within half-a-minute.

It is the second time that the residents of Bondowoso have witnessed a phenomenon of this type. The first appearance of a "strange object was seen on July 25, at the same hour." (Transl. T. Bloecher)

From THE BOOKS OF CHARLES FORT, Henry Holt & Co., 1941, p. 651, last paragraph:

"Daily Mail, May 20(1909)--that a man, named Lethbridge, of 4 Roland Street, Cardiff, Wales, had, in the office of the Cardiff Evening Express, told a marvelous story. This story was that, upon the 18th of May(1909), about 11 P.M., while walking along a road, near the Caerphilly Mountains, Wales, he had seen, on the grass, at the side of the road, a large tube-shaped construction. In it were two men, in heavy fur-overcoats(Italics mine--FHS). When they saw Mr. Lethbridge, they spoke excitedly to each other, in a foreign language(Ditto--FHS), and sailed away. Newspaper men visited the place, and found the grass trampled, and found a scattering of torn newspapers and other debris."

From The BELFAST TELEGRAPH, BELFAST, IRELAND, October 14, 1954:

#1811

Flying Saucer Pilot Asked For Oil, Says Railwayman

A Flying Saucer pilot was reported last night(October 13t, 1954)to have tried to refuel his 12-foot long torpedo-shaped machine at the expense of the French railways.

M. Longare, a railwayman who works at Penhlusen station, said he saw the pilot and his machine outside a diesel oil store. He asked the man, who was either covered with hair or wearing a long hairy overcoat(Italics mine--FHS), what he wanted. The man said something M. Longare could not make out, but he thought he heard the word 'gasoil.' (Ditto--FHS)

M. Longare started off to report to the stationmaster, but before he had gone a 100 yards the machine took off and vanished.

That is the latest report in a spate of French accounts of mysterious flying objects--saucers, balls, mushrooms and other shapes.

23 OCTOBRE 1954

ACTUALITE INTERPLANETAIRE

LUMIÈRE AU POLE

Six cavaliers et un Martien dans un parc

Elles font pleurer les bébés

Right: This mysterious brilliant disc, snapped at Ambleteuse (Pas-de-Calais) has given food for thought to many imaginative persons. (Seems to be somewhat touched up to sharpen it--ADM.)

#1829

LATEST INTERPLANETARY NEWS

Lights Near the Pole

#1814 In the vicinity of Kongsvinger (spelling OK--ADM), a town about 80 km northeast of Oslo, last Friday night, a number of persons saw several luminous objects crossing the sky at extraordinary speed, from west to southeast. They disappeared over the horizon after a few seconds.

Some witnesses claim that these fireballs exploded as they passed. Most of the observations suggest a giant aerolite burning up in the atmosphere.

(Suggests a fireball procession--special form of bolide--except that the speed ought to be slower in that case. Impossible to tell without Oslo papers--ADM.)

Not Only Saucers Threw Out White Smoke at Naples

#1815 Also on Friday, numerous discs, saucers and cigars were seen in the sky of Italy. Several witnesses saw these machines maneuvering over Milan. Inhabitants of Perugia, Bologna, and other towns of northern Italy also witnessed these visitations of flying discs or cigars.

The most precise account received is that from Naples, where two workers in a suburb of that town clearly saw a circular construction moving in the sky in a northeasterly direction, at an altitude of about 800 meters. The phenomenon lasted three minutes. The workmen were able to observe that the metallic body of the disc was painted red, and that a white smoke was escaping from it.

Six Horsemen and a Martian in a Park

#1818 Very numerous witnesses, living in the regions of Bray-sur-Seine, Lagny, Moret, and Thomery, saw a strange phenomenon at nightfall: an oval-shaped craft of yellow-orange colour, more than 20 meters in diameter, at an altitude of only 300-400 meters. (N.B.: this 20 meters is given as the actual size of the object, not its apparent size.) The machine remained motionless for a while, then disappeared at breathtaking speed.

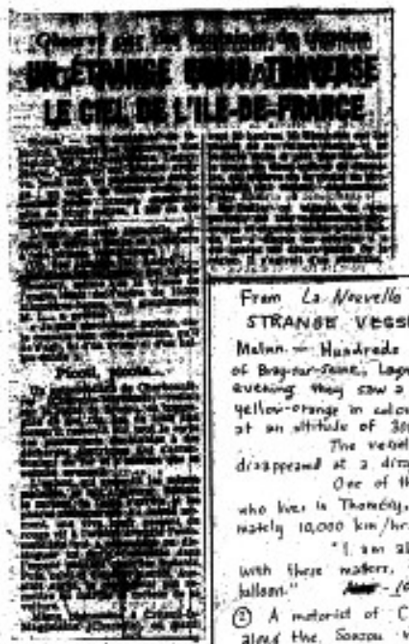
One of the witnesses, M. André L...., meteorological specialist, who lives in Thomery, estimates the speed of the craft as being of the order of 10,000 km/hr. (6000 mi/hr, nearly 2 mi/sec.) M. L... stated: "I am absolutely certain, since I am quite familiar with this subject, that what was seen was neither an aircraft nor a weather balloon."

NLT 10-13-54 #1817 At Melun, several girls leaving an evening course declare they saw an almost identical object in the sky. After having stopped for some ten minutes, it supposedly rose very rapidly into the sky.

NLT 10-23-54 #1816 A luminous ball resembling an automobile headlamp was "appeared" six separate times to two industrialists of Melun who were travelling the Melun-Rubelles highway. Each time that this luminous focus appeared, it caused a very widespread flash illuminating the region.

7 Several horsemen of La Rochette stable say they saw a personage running from their riding park. "He was strange", they say. "It could only have been a Martian."

NLT Oct. 23 1954 #1814 A motorist of Charbonnières was driving along the road from Soussou together with his 3-year-old son, when he felt pricklings all over his body, feeling like electrical sparks, which became more pronounced as his car moved onward. The child, who felt the same symptoms, began to cry. Presently the motor of the car stopped and the headlights went out. At this moment, the motorist saw a brilliant light changing from bright red to orange. Though blinded by it, he could make out a machine hovering motionless in midair, which after a few moments disappeared. Immediately thereafter, the driver was able to start his engine.


Quand des soucoupes volantes survolent
UNE ÉTRANGE APPARITION
LE CIEL DE L'ILE-DE-FRANCE

#1818

From La Nouvelle République (Bordeaux), Oct. 23, 1954.

STRANGE VESSEL CROSSES SKY IN ILE-DE-FRANCE

Melun — Hundreds of witnesses residing in the communes situated to the south of Bray-sur-Seine, Lagny, Moret, & Thomery say that on Thursday evening they saw a strange phenomenon: an oval-shaped craft, of yellow-orange in colour and more than 20 meters in diameter, at an altitude of 300-400 meters.

The vessel remained motionless for a certain time, and disappeared at a dizzying speed.

One of the witnesses, M. André L—, a meteorologist, who lives in Thomery, estimates the speed of the craft at approximately 10,000 km/hr. [6000 mph.] M. L— stated:

"I am absolutely certain, for I am quite familiar with these matters, that it was neither an aircraft nor a weather balloon."

NLT 10-23-54 #1826

② A motorist of Charbonnières (Charente-Maritime) was driving along the Soussou road with his three-year-old son, when he felt prickling sensations, like electric sparks, over his whole body. These became more pronounced as the car went on.

The child, who felt the same unpleasant sensations, began to cry. Presently the car's motor stopped, and the headlights went out. At this moment, a bright light, passing from bright red to orange, blinded the motorist, who was however able to perceive a machine hovering in midair for several moments. This then disappeared. Immediately thereafter, the driver was able to start the motor of his car. [Date] NLT 10-23-54

10-19-54 #1816

③ The same phenomenon took place at Criteuil-la-Magdeleine (Charente), where on Tuesday about 8 PM. M. Stoneman had the headlights of his car put out and his battery discharged by a red ball 2 meters in diameter, which rose from the road with a violent displacement of air. Oct. 19, 1954

#1815

④ In Italy, practically everywhere, very numerous saucers and cigars are being reported.

⑤ While in Sweden, a "rotating disc" was seen at various points of the region. Supposedly it was a fireball.

#1826 NLT 10-28-54

...observation transmitted October 15: At Puy, a brilliant object was observed between 6:50 and 6:55 p.m., by the meteorological station of Puychadeyre. The object seem looked like an olive standing on end (olive droite), with and at the summit a kind of black antenna. The chief of the (section) specified that he thought at first it was fighter, but the subsequent disappearance of the object showed that he had been mistaken. The same phenomenon was observed by the meteorological center at Rouyres (Cantal). We could support these statements by those of thousands of residents of Tulle, who, about 5:30 p.m. saw in the sky to the NNW a big, shining, motionless point of light. It seemed transparent and (afterwards) the shape of a cylinder with the two ends conical."

#1819

#1820

#4 of Gabriel Heres' series - from La Republique Varoise (Toulon) Oct. 25, 1954

(earlier in same article):

#1821

No. 4 of Gabriel Heres series - from La Republique Varoise 10-26-54 (Toulon)

"Everyone read in this paper, on October 17: The observatory of Mont Ventoux reports that since this morning (depuis ce matin 7 h. 30) at 7:30, in at Bayne Northeast, in the direction of Orange, and unknown object in the sky. This object has the shape of an ovoid, with two cones superimposed, joined by a kind of [illegible]." (Toulon)

On October 22, 1954, between Samsal and Chiesma, at 7:30 A.M., an engineer (who has asked us to withhold his name), and the driver of the car in which he was travelling, saw an elliptical luminous object in the cloudless sky. The object began to descend diagonally, losing its luminosity as it did so. At 300 meters from the ground, it stopped, and gradually recovered its luminosity, then rose and disappeared. The whole process occupied a period of forty minutes. The engineer is of the opinion that the saucers obtain their motive power from space, and suggested that this saucer descended and lost luminosity because its power was exhausted. He supposes that when it began to glow again, and came to a stop 300 meters from the ground, the craft must have replenished its store of "space energy", so that it could resume its flight. This engineer is a well-known man, and for that reason he wishes to keep his name confidential.

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SAUCER KILLS A DOG

Naples, Oct. 22.--Several workers in a factory at Pozzuoli, near Naples, declare that a Pekinese dog died of a seizure when it saw a flying saucer.

The workers and the dog saw a silvery object, motionless in the sky. Suddenly, the object rose vertically with a piercing whistle. The dog barked, and fell dead on the ground.

#1923

UNE SOUCOUPE TUE UN CHIEN

NAPLES, 22 octobre. — Plusieurs ouvriers d'une usine de Pozzuoli, près de Naples, affirment qu'un chien pékinois est mort de saisissement en apercevant une soucoupe volante.

Les ouvriers et le chien aperçurent un objet argenté immobile dans le ciel. Soudain, l'objet s'éleva verticalement dans un sifflement perçant. Le pékinois aboya et tomba mort sur le sol.

LA NOTTE (Milano), 16-17 October 1954 (p. 1)

IN PIENO SVILUPPO L'OFFENSIVA DEI DISCHI VOLANTI

Un piccolo marziano avvistato sopra Cuasso

Difficile ormai parlare di suggestione: da troppe parti, prima in Francia ora in Italia, le testimonianze si accumulano e sono concordi nel descrivere gli strani apparecchi e i più strani piloti

L'effettivo consiste: ... [illegible] ... Un piccolo marziano avvistato sopra Cuasso

A LITTLE MARTIAN SEEN OVER CUASSO

Difficult now to speak of suggestion: from too many places, first in France & now in Italy, the testimony accumulates & agrees in describing the strange craft & their even stranger pilots

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(Resumé of Duke Scotti's observation... then: Terror & surprise ~~have~~ paralyzed, about noon yesterday, some countrymen of the fattoria Lago in Valle Co' Pisani of Cortarina (Polesine). A dark, non-luminous object of ovoid form, surrounded by a halo of crackling yellow-blue flames, stopped for some instants over the house of Antonio Crepaldi... "It was as if a cloud had passed over. I saw a big shadow which kept growing larger..... (detail)... A little pagliaio at the end of the aia caught fire. The cabini of the fattoria, terrorized, hid under a wagon." (More same - photostat enclosed.) Little man seen from

LA NOTTE (Milano) 21-22 Oct. 1954, p.5

IN MOLTI LI HANNO VISTI

VANNO PER TRE I DISCHI VOLANTI

Strana concordanza di alcune segnalazioni

Dischi volanti, sigari luminosi e altre singolari specie di velivoli sembrano — a giudicare dalle segnalazioni che giungono a quadriglia serrata nel cielo di Milano. Tuttavia, molte delle notizie che, sull'argomento argomento, ci mandano lettori, precisano particolari così strepitosi, da risultare assai poco attendibili. Alcune segnalazioni, invece, paiono limitarsi a riferire ciò che è stato effettivamente visto. Ci sembra opportuno pubblicarne alcune per dovere di cronaca.

Martedì mattina ad esempio, il sedicenne Lino Favre, abitante in via Zecca Vecchia, mentre verso le 9.40 camminava in via Umbria, ha visto — come egli assicura — tre[illegible] precedere nell[illegible] verso Sud. Non è stato in grado di precisare altri particolari [illegible] della strana [illegible]

[illegible] mattina [illegible] Mezzarelli e Mario [illegible] percorrevano [illegible] nelle vicinanze del[illegible] di Porta Romana, quando all'improvviso videro un bimbo puntare il dito verso l'alto, indicando il cielo. Sollevando lo sguardo, videro tre corpi lucenti, di forma ovoidale che procedevano in formazione di triangolo, a piccola velocità, in direzione Sud. Stupisce la concordanza di questa segnalazione con la precedente: anche l'ora corrisponde pressappoco: tra le 9.30 e le 9.45.

«Dietro ai tre corpi — raccontano i due amici — si allungava una scia biancastra, in modo [illegible] della strana [illegible] ma era straordinariamente [illegible] sui mille metri». I due giovani ci hanno scritto «a costo di acquistare la fama di creduloni e visionari».

Domenica scorsa, invece, un «sigaro volante» è stato visto dal ventenne Fulvio Frati e da alcuni suoi amici. La cronistiva, alle 17.55, stava giocando al tennis su uno dei campi della «Forza e Coraggio» in via Galilei. «Ero impegnato in un combattutissimo «set» — racconta Fulvio Frati, — quando, nel lanciare la palla in alto per effettuare l'ultimo servizio, scorsi nel cielo, verso Sud, a una altezza compresa fra i 1500 e i 2000 metri, un bagliore, simile a quello di una grossa stella, che si spostava senza rumore verso Nord. Segnalai il fenomeno al mio compagno di gioco e a quanti erano presenti. Calcolammo che quella luce si spostasse a una velocità di circa 800-1000 chilometri all'ora. Essa descrisse una stretta curva verso Ovest, permettendoci di osservarla più chiaramente».

«Si trattava — prosegue Fulvio Frati, — di un oggetto di forma ovoidale molto schiacciato, tanto da sembrare a tratti un sigaro. Dalla sua prua fuoriusciva un fascio di luce, simile al faro di un autocarro. Doveva essere lungo circa 15 metri. Osservammo tutti che era di colore scuro e privo assolutamente di ali, ed escludemmo che fosse un aereo. Dalla coda usciva una sottile striscia di fumo biancastro. Percorse un breve tratto verso Ovest, poi, aumentando velocità, e quota, si diresse verso Sud, finchè disparve. La sottile scia di fumo fu visibile in cielo per circa cinque minuti».

Conclude il nostro lettore: «Sarebbe necessario, in casi simili, avere a portata di mano una macchina fotografica munita di teleobiettivo. L'oggetto che abbiamo visto noi, si sarebbe potuto fotografare facilmente».

Infine, una segnalazione da Cantù. Ne è protagonista lo scolaro Giansantonio Biraitari il quale, sabato scorso verso le 18.30, stava tornando a casa [illegible] quando vide a circa [illegible] metri di altezza un corpo [illegible] di colore grigio [illegible] si dirigeva di Milano. Compì una breve parabola discendente, poi si innalzò, quasi impennandosi, e infine scomparve, senza che si udisse alcun rumore.

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NOZZE — Oggi, nella Basilica di S. Sabina in Roma, il priore del Convento di S. Maria delle Grazie di Milano, padre Cristoforo, ha celebrato le nozze fra donna Tea Impallomeni e il conte Theo Pizzoli Luporini, di Milano, recando alla coppia felice la speciale benedizione del Santo Padre.

SEEN IN MANY PLACES
FLYING DISCS GO BY THREES
Strange agreement between reports

IL MATTINO (Napoli), Oct. 24, 1954 (p.9)

Il "disco" di S. Giuseppe Vesuviano descritto da uno degli "avvistatori"

DAL NOSTRO INVIATO

S. GIUSEPPE VESUV., 23.

«Stavamo mangiando delle fasrai». Questa è stata la prima dichiarazione del signor Ignazio Catapano, il quale ieri sera mentre tornava da Palma Campania sulla strada di Nola in compagnia dell'amico sig. Vincenzo Ammirati ha visto a circa un chilometro da Ottaviano un disco volante.

Il signor Catapano ha affermato che il disco si trovava sollevato a circa tre o quattro metri da terra e rassomigliava più che altro ad una ruota di carretto, una strana ruota che emanava una luce abbagliante. Il signor Catapano, che si trovava al volante della sua 500 C, abbagliato dalla accecante luce che proveniva dal «disco volante» e messo in allarme dalla presenza di questa straordinaria visione proprio là dove uno meno si sarebbe aspettato di trovarla, ha tentato allora di fermare la macchina, ma poichè procedeva a forte andatura gli è stato possibile bloccare la vettura soltanto ad una trentina di metri oltre il disco. Nel frattempo il corpo luminoso con un forte fruscio e lasciandosi dietro una scia luminosa si inalzava perpendicolarmente e procedendo ad una velocità vertiginosa in pochi secondi raggiungeva una certa altezza, forse i tremila metri e a quella altezza il corpo assumeva — come dice il signor Catapano — un colore rossastro. Poco dopo il disco era scomparso. Il signor Catapano e il signor Ammiranti, atterriti per quanto era accaduto, si precipitavano nel paese dove raccontavano tremando agli amici la spaventosa visione alla quale avevano assistito.

Che questa visione non sia frutto di fantasia è da ritenersi con sicurezza, data la personalità del Catapano, il quale è noto e stimato industriale della zona, in quanto proprietario di un'avviata fabbrica di liquori. Il signor Catapano, quando l'abbiamo avvicinato, si è espresso con molta sincerità, ed altrettanto sinceramente ci ha detto che la presenza del disco sulla strada ha apportato a lui ed al suo compagno di viaggio, dei disturbi all'apparato digerente. Ancora stamattina il signor Catapano non si era ripreso, ed è stato molto difficile convincerlo ad accompagnarsi sul luogo della visione, dove — secondo quanto ci ha detto — egli aveva giurato di non recarsi mai più.

La notizia ha prodotto, appena conosciuta, viva impressione nella zona, che viene agitata da molti, i quali temono che qualche marziano, non avendo avuto il tempo di darsi alla fuga sul disco, sia rimasto ancora nei paraggi, in attesa che i «marziani» lo riprendano.

Stanotte, i contadini si barricheranno nelle loro case, per tema che qualche marziano possa introdursi. I marziani, però, saranno messi in libertà, perchè coi loro latrati possano tenere lontano i visitatori che, presumibilmente, provengono da un altro pianeta.

Qualcuno s'è, d'altro canto, dimostrato scettico, però, di fronte alle sincere dichiarazioni del signor Catapano, ha dovuto ricredersi, e, pur senza confessarlo, ha dimostrato di temere anch'egli il ripetersi dello strano fenomeno.

B. A.

La Notte (Milano), 19-20 oct. 1954, p 1 (14",2 columns): DISCS SEEN HERE & THERE ... Shepherd in Nurra (Sassari), Giuseppe Mimia, saw a man ("at 20 meters distance I could not be mistaken") in a kind of veil (sail), which was sweeping up & down (oscillando ed abbassandosi più volte); the man was throwing out *manifestini* "which I could not succeed in reading."

Ibid, p.5 (15"): DISCHI VOLANTI: -The phenomenon seen by il duca Scotti was observed by others... Danilo Maglavanda, of Zelbio (Como), writes to say that he was hunting on morning of 14th, on Monte San Primo (over Zelbio), when he saw a luminiferous cross the sky "as if blown by the wind" which was flowing toward the S. The luminosity, he thinks, could be sunlight reflected. [Sounds as if could be a balloon -ADM.]

LA NOTTE (MILANO)
19-20 October 1954, (p. 1)

VISTI dischi qua e là

DISCS SEEN HERE & THERE

In Sardegna avrebbero perfino lanciato dei manifestini stampati in marziano

SASSARI 19 ottobre

Un «aspro velame» è stato avvistato ai primi di ottobre, cioè due settimane fa, nelle Nurre di Sassari. Bellezze ora, bellezze, se ci si deve credere.

Il proprietario dell'ovile, in prossimità del quale l'intrigante avvistato sfilavano per una breve posta, riferisce così l'avvenimento accaduto:

«Erano le 7 circa del mattino di ottobre quando, mentre ero intento a mungere le pecore, vidi alzarsi da oggetto volante, che stazionavamo nervosamente a lungo questa mia collina, a circa 200 metri dal mio ovile. A prima vista credetti che si trattasse di un aeroplano, data la forma e il colore bianco; ora però troppo grande per essere un aeroplano da regata. La sfera era sollevata non veloce originalmente, ma un po' vorticosamente e un po' saltuario, trainando una specie di coda sporca e un po' velenosa. Meravigliato, io subito chiamato mia moglie, mia figlia, la domestica, il fattore ed altri vicini; non era un allucinazione perché tutti videro il prodigioso oggetto che, ho visto io, circa dieci minuti lentamente la prima per circa 20 metri, poi improvvisamente, velocissimamente, scomparendo dietro il monte all'orizzonte. Poco dopo ne è giunto uno dei miei uomini trafelato, pensando per la mia servitù, alcuni fogli che ho consegnato ai carabinieri, e che sono scritti in una lingua a me sconosciuta».

Il pastore Giuseppe Mimia ha fatto un racconto pauroso più avventuroso. Egli ha detto: «Vennero mentre io stavo lì, vicino le 7, ma ne stavo a guardia del gregge quando vidi una strana specie silenziosa di colore bianco molto splendente arrivare in, una nuvola molto malleggiando in strada. Essa assomigliava grosso modo a quando che volano alberi e aeroplani: alla vela sembrava una enorme vela che sollevava in forma ovale, e procedeva velocemente per ricevere di colpo e velocissimo dal punto di circa un metro e mezzo. Altissimo e quella vela era qualcosa che aveva in mezzo di un uomo. Mentre, incuriosito, osservavo, l'apparecchio si fermò vicino a me ma non alla distanza di 20 metri ma non molto lontano. Credendo che si trattasse di un pericolo personalmente di cui mi sentivo per accorrere, ma quale fu la mia meraviglia quando vidi l'oggetto rialzarsi, mentre la sagoma che vi era attaccata cominciava a muoversi prendo a braccia proprio come camminano nell'aria. Era infatti un uomo: a vero uomo. Il fulmine non ci si può paragonare a che proprio dirvelo in verità come vi sono davanti ai vostri. L'uomo era vestito di nero non so come in tutto, e appena mi vide lanciò dei manifestini che non sono riuscito a leggere. Questa enorme astronave poi, dopo il suo svolgere facendo evoluzioni continue: ho visto proprio il suo viso e ripeto che era di un paio centimetri e di metri di distanza. Come il terminale prende la bocca per mangiare nella vela, così questa prende la spinta. Il suo apparecchio: ho visto ed altri abitanti [illegible] volte ho avvistato la mia ed è per scongiurare all'orizzonte. Verso le 12 della stessa giornata The stesso molto in alto come un puntino bianco ed è poi scomparso.

A Roma, chiamato verso le 9 da Sassa volante, [illegible] stamo, è stato visto da alcuni agenti.

In a Vendée Farmhouse: WHOLE FAMILY BARRICADES ITSELF

And Passes Sleepless Night, Because "A Saucer Was Looking At Them"

Fontenay-le-Comte, Oct. 25.--The flying-saucer obsession continues to ravage the country. The best example is furnished by a farm family at St. Hilaire-les-Loges (Vendée), who, terrorised, lived through a dramatic night.

Mme. Boeuf had just milked her cows for the night, soon after dusk, when, as she emerged from the stable, she caught sight of a motionless luminous disc, at an altitude difficult to determine.

"The saucer seemed to be looking at me", the farmeress was to say later on, when she described the incident.

Abandoning her milkpails, Mme. Boeuf ran to warn her husband and her three children. They too were able to observe the phenomenon, whose intensity was such that it "shone like the full moon." The saucer now seemed to manifest an intention of coming closer to the ground, and Mme. Boeuf expressed the idea that "Martians" might land from it. Seized by panic, she decided to barricade herself in the farm building.

This was done. All lights were put out and all blinds closed, and the family took refuge in the living room. Not until the first rays of dawn did neighbours, surprised by the silence which reigned in the house, venture to the farmhouse.

After the Boeuf family was calmed down and the farmeress cheered with a small glass of brandy, everyone resumed his normal occupation.

In the meantime the menacing disc had disappeared without leaving any traces.

FROM: Midi Libre (Montpellier), Oct. 26, 1954.

MIDI LIBRE
MONTPELLIER

26 OCTOBRE 1954

[redacted] DE VENDÉE

Toute la famille se barricade et passe une nuit blanche

parce qu'« une soucoupe les regardait »

Fontenay-le-Comte, 25 octobre. — La hantise des soucoupes volantes continue à faire des ravages. Le plus bel exemple en est fourni par une famille de fermiers de Saint-Hilaire-les-Loges (Vendée) qui, terrorisée, a vécu une nuit dramatique.

Mme Boeuf venait de traire ses vaches à la nuit tombée quand, sortant de l'étable, elle aperçut un disque lumineux immobile et à une altitude difficile à déterminer.

— « La soucoupe semblait me regarder », devait dire plus tard la fermière.

Plantant là ses seaux de lait, Mme Boeuf courut prévenir son mari et ses trois enfants. Ils purent contempler également le phénomène dont l'intensité était telle qu'il « éclairait comme la pleine lune ». La soucoupe semblant manifester l'intention de se rapprocher du sol, Mme Boeuf émit l'idée que des « Martiens » pourraient en débarquer. Prise de panique, elle décida de se barricader dans le bâtiment de la ferme.

Ainsi fut fait. On éteignit toutes les lumières et toutes persiennes closes, on se réfugia dans la salle commune. C'est seulement aux premières heures du jour que des voisins, étonnés du silence qui régnait dans la maison, se risquèrent dans la ferme.

Après avoir apaisé la famille Boeuf, et réconforté la fermière d'un petit verre de marc, chacun reprit ses occupations.

Le disque menaçant avait d'ailleurs disparu sans laisser de traces.

But the censors had little time to rejoice. In rapid succession foreign reports appeared in the headlines day after day.

On October 23 a Buenos Aires report described a disc that had maneuvered over the city.

Next day a formation of "circular silver-colored" objects was sighted by Brazilian Air Force pilots at Pôrto Alegre, Brazil. In an official statement the Air Force Base Command said the objects were moving at tremendous speed over the base:

"It was impossible to calculate the altitude or velocity at which the objects moved, but the speed was greater than that of any of which the base has knowledge. Their general shape was circular, they were silver-colored and shimmering. The objects were not celestial because their movements appeared to be mechanical and intermittent."

The Air Base Command said the saucers were observed by officers and enlisted men, by personnel of the Vargas Airline, and by civilians in Pôrto Alegre. The Air Ministry in Rio de Janeiro, it added, was officially investigating.

(Venezuelan newspaper?) Dec. 20, 1954

Furnished: Gravatí Air Force Base
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Oct. 24, 1954

BRAZILIAN AIR FORCE AFFIRMS EXISTENCE OF FLYING SAUCERS

"There are cases and events of a surprising character", declares the head of the Aeronautics General Staff ~~xxxxxxxxxxx~~ Information Service at a lecture.

By Guillermo Tell Troconis.

Photo captions: (Left): Major Magalhaes and Lt. Hernani Ferras making their statements before the audience at the Brazilian War College, during Col. Oliveira's lecture. (Centre): Colonel Joao Adil Oliveira, Information Chief of the Brazilian Aeronautics General Staff, the author of the work on flying saucers which provoked interesting commentaries in Rio de Janeiro, and induced the government to devote more attention by defense authorities to these machines. (Right): The high chiefs of the land, sea, and air of Brazil, attentive to the speech of Col. Oliveira in the Brazilian War College, expounding the necessity of taking the flying-saucer problem seriously. (Bottom): Five famous photographs, in sequence, taken at Barra de Tijuca, which according to the lecture of Col. Adil Oliveira represent one of the most interesting documents on the existence of flying saucers.

The flying-discs, or saucers as they are also called, have now definitely entered the serious category. Now it is more than a question of victims of illusion who swear they have seen them. A dossier has now been compiled, and a general directive has been issued, putting this affair, which has excited the whole world, if not actually in the category of reality, at least in that of things whose existence cannot be denied without risk of immediate and outright contradiction.

These thoughts are suggested by the dissertation of Col. Jose Adil Oliveira, Chief of the Information Service of the General Staff of Aeronautics in Brasil. Colonel Oliveira, who enjoys a high reputation among his military colleagues, recently took under his charge the direction of the investigation of the events culminating in the crime of Rua Tonelero: and the attempted assassination of the journalist Carlos Lacerda, which resulted in drastic changes in Brazilian politics

and the suicide of President Getulio Vargas.

The Brazilian High Command and the Saucers.--Colonel Adil Oliveira said that, in the first place, no one can deny the existence of flying saucers. The text of his lecture (printed in extenso in the Dec. 11th issue of O Cruzeiro) is rich in data, dates, and testimonies, which endeavour to show that man has not yet succeeded in deciphering the mystery of the flying saucers, and that there are some facts which are absolutely undeniable. Among these, six cases are outstanding, above all that of military pilot Thomas Mantell, who perished while in pursuit of a flying disc seen from the Godman Field tower in 1948.

"The problem of the flying saucers, which has drawn the attention of the entire world, is serious and deserves to be treated seriously", said Colonel Oliveira. "It is necessary", he added, "for the governments of all the great powers to take an interest in the matter."

The lecture was given by Col. Adil Oliveira at the request of the Alumni Association of the Brazilian War College, which is composed of men of the highest responsibility among the élite in both the military and the technical fields. It was given in the auditorium of the Army Technical School at Rio de Janeiro.

Saucers Before Christ.--Col. A.O. gave the history of the saucers. He warned that he had no intention of involving Jules Verne in this technical science. But the exciting idea of flying saucers or discs has preoccupied humanity for centuries. If we go back through time, we can find people who saw flying discs centuries before Christ.

He then cited the account given by Donald Keyhoe and published in the "Sunday Dispatch", in which this ex-head of the U.S. Department of Commerce Information Service asserts that in 1762 the appearance of flying discs was noted. After this there ensued an abundance of accounts of the strange apparitions. Curiously enough (says Col. Oliveira), at that time it never occurred to anyone that it might be a question of optical illusions or hoaxes. Nor was it thought that they were secret weapons. Whose, and for whom?--for in those days, let us remark, the world and its inhabitants had not yet been invaded by those ideas of destruction and domination that have rendered humanity miserable and put an end to the peace and tranquillity of all.

After the strange appearances (proved by irrefutable testimony of reliable military officers in the USA, England, France, Japan, etc.), scientists and technicians alike have fallen into an ill-grounded discussion full of denials and contradictions, which has accomplished nothing except to obscure the seriousness of the problem, and to contribute to the continuing neglect of a matter which ought to be the concern of all governments--according to the Brazilian official.

The Pilot Mantell Was Killed By A Saucer.--This, says Col. A. O., is the most distressing of all known flying-saucer cases.

(Mantell case then recounted--I omit translation--ADM.)

The death of Mantell produced terror and panic in American public opinion, declared Col. Oliveira. It led General Soru (sic) Smith of the USAF to declare on that occasion:

"The Mantell case opened my eyes. I knew Thomas Mantell very well, also Colonel Hix, Commandant of Godman Field. I know that both were intelligent men and very different from the sort of people who like to imagine things."

But the USAF maintained the case in a truly cursory treatment. No explanation was produced, then or later, for the strange death of Captain Mantell.

Speculations On The Nationality of The Saucer.--Colonel A.O. then said that there was no lack of speculations in which the appearance of the strange craft was attributed to manoeuvers or tests by military forces.

"Might the flying saucer discs have been from Russia?"

Col. Oliveira himself gave the answer, asking himself the question, and replying to the select audience:

"This belief was impossible. It could not be that a remotely-controlled machine would have been exposed for more than half an hour to the curiosity of the aviators at Godman Air Base, risking among other things being shot down, thus losing the secret of the weapon being tested.

"But could it have been American either?" he went on to ask. His answer:

"If it were American, whether Air Force or Navy, how to explain its presence over

the Godman base? Furthermore, how to explain the order given that these strange aircraft were to be pursued? Who, on this hypothesis, would have been the one responsible for the death of Captain Mantell?"

"At all events", he points out, "what remains from it all must at least be the firm conviction that the flying discs are a patent reality."

Radar Does Not Work On Saucers.--Following the history of the appearances of flying saucers, Col. Oliveira then singled out another interesting aspect, which creates a new problem in national defense: the fact that radar does not work on saucers. Nor is this an illusion. An event took place which furnished demonstrative proof.

"In September, 1951, a student--the outstanding one in the class--was conducting a demonstration of the automatic operation of radar. He pointed the radar toward an object flying at a low altitude, about 10 km to the southeast of the control station. But, to the surprise of all, the radar did not succeed in locking on the target. The student, much disconcerted, declared:

"The target is flying with too high a velocity [illegible] to be followed, which shows that it is faster than a jet plane."

Saucers Seen in Brazil.--The colonel presented testimony before the public. Officers of the Brazilian Air Force have seen the flying saucers.

"I was flying a jet plane. The events took place at the Gravati Base, in Rio Grande do Sul..."

The statement of the Brazilian officers, as presented by Col. O., was as follows:

"Last October 24 (1954), I was the officer of the day--Lt. Hermani Ferras de Almeida, jet pilot, speaking--at the Puerto Alegre air base, when at about 1300 (1 PM), I was called by a sergeant, who said to me: "Lieutenant, a flying disc is being seen over the base."

The Lieutenant smiled at this announcement by his subaltern..."I went to the place, and verified the presence of the Disc."

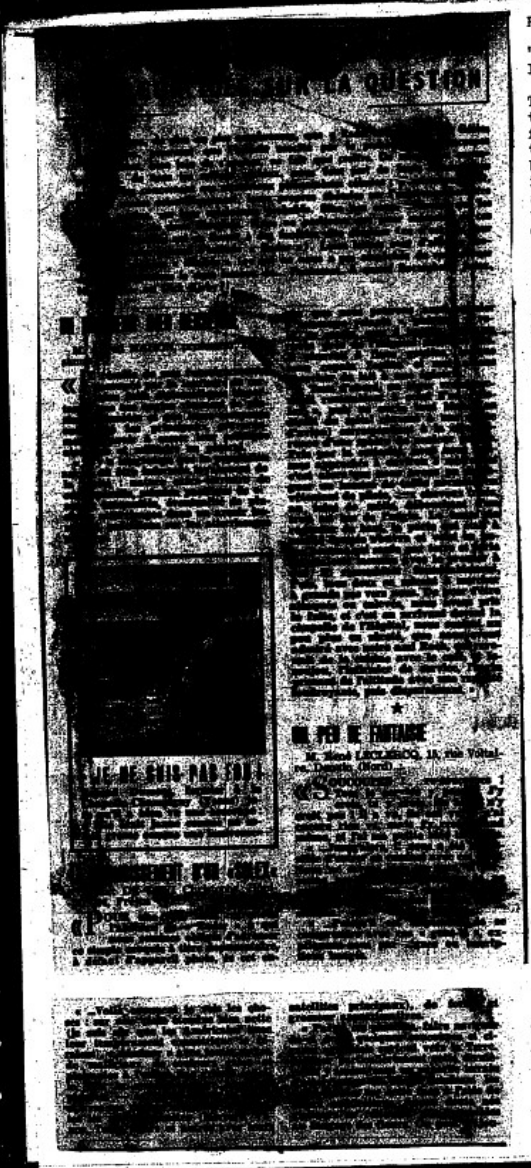
"I verified the existence", he declared, "of an object that was hanging over the base, of an unpolished--aluminum colour, similar to the colour of our jet planes. The object reflected a light. It was making circular movements, and was going back and forth, from side to side. What was strange to me was the enormous velocity developed, greater than the 45,000 feet which is normal for jets. (Probably means 45,000 ft/minute, 510 mph.--ADM.) I have never observed (he said) an object moving at such a terrific speed. I then summoned other officers to confirm the fact; and in the Headquarters, after more than ten sergeants and other men had witnessed the case, I submitted a report to Major Joao Magalhaes Mota."

But does Colonel Adil Oliveira believe in the existence of the saucers?

The lecture, given before the highest military officials of Brazil, shows that he does. And more than that; he feels that the problem of the flying saucers cannot continue to receive the great neglect with which it has been treated both in military and in scientific circles.

By way of climax, Brazil was informed that five flying saucers have been photographed. Col. A.O. presented these documents himself. The photographs and negatives were exhibited, taken in La Barra de Tijuca, in 1952, by reporters of O Cruzeiro. For them (who?--ADM), these are the most important documents extant on the existence of the flying discs.

For the rest, he made a formal declaration: The Brazilian Air Force has never been negligent with respect to the mystery of the flying discs. At present there is lacking a serious analysis of the documents and testimony presented, among them the very weighty ones of Dr. Alberto de Melo Flores and high officers of the Brazilian army. Meanwhile, many will be prepared to agree that the question of saucers is now becoming serious. So said the Brazilian military chief, urging that it be taken with equal seriousness.



RADAR--November 7, 1954

"RADAR"S READERS HAVE THEIR OWN IDEAS ON THE MATTER

The more and more numerous letters that RADAR receives from its faithful readers prove that interest in the flying-saucer problem, far from being sated, is continually increasing. Numerous correspondents, of all social positions, have communicated to us their personal observations; others expound, in a more or less scientific manner, their own theories on the terrestrial existence and probable mechanism of these craft. Very few have the temerity to assert that the witnesses are visionaries. We mention merely for the record the gay pranksters who indulge in readily-detectable jokes (it is not for nothing that we call ourselves "Radar"); their letters are always anonymous or signed illegibly...

A Well-Informed Gentleman

M. Alfred Nahon, teacher, Lausanne: "According to my information, deduced from the course of certain important diplomatic events, these craft come from several planets and their occupants have warned the principal governments to put a stop to their atomic and military politics. The people ought to have been told the truth long ago: the extraterrestrial nature of these machines, the pacific mission of these other human beings, the likelihood of many landings in the near future, and the facts about past landings."

Photo Caption: I'm Not Crazy! Roland Dumont, a farmer at La Chapelle-Champigny (Yonne), swears he saw a saucer: "It was yellow as the sun, and as big as a washtub."

The Droning Sound Of A "Solex"

Soldier Christophe De Devi, Hôpital 294, Fréjus (Var):

"...We are obliged to send you this simple sketch, in default of a photograph, of the "flying saucer" which was seen about 6 A.M. this morning in a ravine near Military Hospital 294. There was a drizzly rain when I went out with my friend Zopina to fetch milk from the grocery. We first heard a slight droning like that of a "Solex", then we saw a pure white object (apparently chrome-plated), with an airplane-like tail, encircling an orange sphere. Curious, we approached within 5 meters; we then perceived a man of normal stature, dressed as a pilot, with curly hair and a dark complexion like a half-breed, emerging from an

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DAILY NEWS New York, N.Y.

Strange Craft With Blue Tails In Yugo Skies

Belgrade, Oct. 27 (UP).—Authorities announced today they were making a "serious investigation" of the flight over Yugoslavia Monday of objects which looked and acted like nothing described in the standard aviation reference books.

An official spokesman emphasized that the mystery was being "taken very seriously." He said the phenomenon was reported by as-

Saucers Forbidden

Chateau-Neuf-de-Pape, France, Oct. 27 (Reuters).—The Mayor of this village, population 1,200, issued a decree today forbidding flying saucers to land.

He ordered the constable to impound any saucers which disobeyed.

The mayor said the decree was necessary because such strange aircraft "would be of a nature to disturb public order and the tranquility of the inhabitants."

transonical observation, weather bureaus, airfields, and hundreds of amateur observers.

The reports were that shiny "officelike" objects zipped through the Yugoslav skies trailing bluish tails for about half an hour after sunrise Monday.

Scientists said that the objects could not have been meteors.

Porto Alegre, Brazil, Oct. 27 (U.P.) —The air force here here reported today that "circular, silver-colored" objects moving at tremendous speeds were sighted over the here last Sunday. 10-27-54

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NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE

The day after the official Brazilian announcement Yugoslavian Air Force officers were startled by a flight of saucers just after sunrise. Within 48 hours the government announced at Belgrade that the mystery was "being taken very seriously."

According to official reports scores of glowing objects had streaked over Yugoslavia, giving off a bluish glow. One of the flights, moving between Zagreb and Belgrade at fantastic speed, was clocked by two weather-station observatories. It was found they had covered the 250 miles in five minutes at a rate of 3000 miles an hour. Several of the Yugoslavian astronomers stated the UFO's could not have been meteors and probably were not any form of "heavenly body."

SAUCERS MAY BE SECRE[T]

Yugoslav[ia]

Belg[rade]

SEEN BY OBSERVATORY

"1,000 M.P.H."

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LA NOTTE (MILANO) Nov. 9-10, 1954

FLYING DISCS OVER YUGOSLAVIA, TOO

Dischi volanti anche sulla Jugoslavia

La stampa che aveva mantenuto il segreto al riguardo ne parla ora apertamente

ZAGABRIA, 9 novembre

Le notizie sulle recenti apparizioni di dischi volanti che avrebbero solcato i cieli della Jugoslavia hanno provocato in tutto il Paese un misto di incredulità e di preoccupazione.

La stampa che aveva finora mantenuto il segreto al riguardo ne parla ora apertamente, ma dei più qualificati scienziati ai frequentatori dei caffè, tutti sono del parere che le sparse e simultanee segnalazioni di dischi volanti abbiano un fondamento.

Il giornale di Belgrado «Politika» ha preso la cosa così seriamente da condurre una inchiesta a fondo riferendo con abbondanza di particolari sia le dichiarazioni di testimoni oculari sia i pareri degli scienziati.

Uno degli intervistati da «Politika» è il direttore dell'osservatorio di Belgrado, Milorad Protic, il quale dubita che l'oggetto volante potesse essere un meteorite perchè questi di giorno sono raramente visibili. Allo stesso tempo Protic ha detto al giornale che un «funzionario» dell'osservatorio notò nel cielo di Belgrado, in coincidenza con l'avvistamento da parte di altri testimoni oculari, oggetti di cui egli non aveva saputo spiegarsi la natura. Secondo Protic il suo collega ha escluso che si trattasse di un corpo celeste.

Ma il professore Ante Obelkan, astronomo assai noto in Jugoslavia, è di parere nettamente contrario. Egli ritiene che «l'oggetto» fosse una meteora dal momento che assomigliava ad altre che erano state avvistate nel cielo della città: aveva una lunga coda rossa ed aveva un bagliore rosso dorato.

Tuttavia il professor Obuljen, astronomo dell'Università di Belgrado, non è d'accordo. Egli dice che gli interrogatori dei "testimoni oculari" condotti da lui stesso o da suoi collaboratori «non hanno provato che i fenomeni fossero la conseguenza del passaggio di corpi celesti nell'atmosfera».

Il giornale «Politika» cita le dichiarazioni di altri astronomi, scienziati e testimoni oculari i quali hanno escluso la possibilità che i «dischi volanti» visti nei cieli della Jugoslavia altro non fossero che fenomeni di rifrazione della luce solare a causa delle dichiarazioni di così numerose persone.

La Notte (Milano), 21-22 oct. 1959, p. 3 (3"): THEY ARE OVER THE MARCHES & PERDONO BAVA!

"Jesi, 21 ott. — Numerous citizens have seen in the sky of the town dozens of strange flying objects, with a rotatory movement, which emitted bluish bagliori & which let fall a sort of thread-like fabric on the electric wires. Other reports of flying saucers came from Pescara, Teramo, Aquila, & Lanciano. At Montemarciano of Ancona, a mysterious plastic balloon more than 2 meters in diameter fell in a field, catching in a grape trellis, & was turned over to the police."

La Notte (Milano), 21-22 oct. 1959, p. 5 (12", 4 columns): FLYING DISCS GO BY THREES... Strange Agreement Between Reports.

NOW THEY'RE IN ITALY

Sirs:

Perhaps Photographer Angelo Cozzi, who took the picture of a flying saucer ("Now They're in Italy," Life, Nov. 29), saw the same yellow luminous disk in the Dolomites in North Italy that a friend and I saw while strolling along the old Appian Way. Suddenly the sky seemed to rip like a velvet curtain, exposing a speeding yellow luminous disk at least twice the size of a full moon. We never did find any explanation for what we saw, and nobody seemed to believe us, but we believe Angelo Cozzi.

SAL FARRACE

Terre Haute, Ind.

CORRIERE DELLA SERA (Milano), Oct. 24, 1954

Oct. 24, p. 8 (15"): "No "flying saucers" seen by the radar of our Aeronautica." Denial by "Il Ministero della Difesa (Aeronautica)" that any unknown objs have been seen on its radar. Also: "no astronomical observatory has ever recorded the presence in the sky of objects whose natural character was not easily recognisable." [This information was received from the observatories of Rome & Arcetri & is "valid not only for these two observatories, but also for all the others, with which these two important observatories constantly keep in touch."]

CORRIERE DELLA SERA (Milano) 1954

Oct. 26, p. 5 (18", 3 columns): "Telephones Ring at Vienna As "Flying Disc" Passes City in Alarm, But It was a Meteorite Which Fell in Hungary." [Bolide seen at 6:20 a.m. Other reports, from Adriatic cities, also from Yugoslavia. Green fireball — "verde mare." At Marotta, the observers declared that the silvro plunged into the sea not far away, time, 6:17 a.m.

*No report from Hungary is given — this suggestion comes from Vienna meteorological institute.]

Ouest-France (Rennes), Oct. 26, 1954.

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26 OCTOBRE 19[illegible]

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CIGAR AT VIENNA

At 6:20 A.M. this morning, a sort of flying cigar of yellow & violet colour, leaving a train of fire behind it, flew over the northern part of Vienna, travelling eastward at very high speed. Scores of Viennese saw it, and are prepared so to testify. At the observatory, the possibility of a weather balloon was scouted; it was thought that the object was undoubtedly a meteor.

MULTICOLOURED SAUCERS OVER ITALY

Numerous flying saucers were observed today in Italy. From Catanzaro in southern Calabria to Pesaro, on the Adriatic in Northern Italy, strange flying craft were reported.

Fishermen on the sea off San Benedetto, Fano, Pesaro, and even Ostia (near Rome) declared they saw a red & green "object" crossing the sky at frightful speed. "Saucers" were likewise observed at Urbino, Chieti & Forlimpopoli. According to some witnesses they were followed by a green train. According to others they were shaped like a mushroom with a tail.

At Chieti, the craft observed was circular, with a diameter of some 12 meters [40 ft.], moving at low altitude. At Pesaro, north of Ancona, on the Adriatic, many persons declared they had seen an incandescent red globe with a bluish train.

At Trieste a score of witnesses stated that they observed a disc this morning, flying at high altitude in a northeasterly direction and leaving a luminous train behind it.

On Saturday [Oct.], the aeronautical service of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs announced that certain specialists had observed "strange objects" moving at more than 2000 km/hr [1200 mph] along the Tyrrhenian coast, at dusk and during the night.

AT BREST, A SUPERIOR NAVAL ENGINEERING OFFICER SEES A "VERY LUMINOUS DISC" IN SKY

Brest, Oct. 25 (by our reporter): A trustworthy piece of testimony on flying saucers comes from the Brest region, from a superior engineering officer of the Navy who wishes to remain anonymous. On Thursday [Oct.], about 3 P.M., above the hills between Plougastel & Landerneau, he noticed a "very luminous" disc which appeared to be stationary at 3000 meters' [25,000 ft.] altitude. To the naked eye, the disc appeared one meter wide, and had the shape of a biconvex lens.

The officer's wife likewise observed the luminous point, while her husband went to get the glasses. But when he returned, clouds were hiding the disc.

"It was certainly no atmospheric phenomenon", the engineer told us. "And my scientific knowledge furnishes me no logical explanation for such an appearance."

Oct. 27, 1954
Ouest-France (Rennes)

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La République Varoise (Toulon)

[redacted]

the "cigar" Got Away

Oct. 26 1954

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"A young domestic servant of l'Orne, M. Armoiste, 15, who lives at Chène-Argot (near Rânes) saw a, big cigar 5 meters long, pointed in front and rounded at the rear", which was seeking to land in a field.

The young man ran toward the craft, which then regained altitude, first slowly and then at breath-taking speed.

(At right)

SAUCERS HERE, THERE, AND EVERYWHERE

A Farmhand Blown Down

Guéret.--A farm worker of La Vanreille, M. Aimé Bousard, 47, has told the gendarmerie police of the "strange encounter" he had while returning from Allegrat (Creuse.)

"At the place called "La Madière", he declares, "I noticed a form moving on the footpath beside the road. I stopped to get a better look at this individual. The person, who had been crouching down, rose suddenly and turned two strong lamps on me, which projected a very dense light-blue light. On each side of his head he also had a pale-green lamp which emitted much feebler light than the others. He appeared about 180 cm (5'3") tall. I had had the impression initially that he was wearing a helmet.

"All of a sudden, under the effect of a pressure comparable to a gust of wind, I was flung to the other side of the road, where I lay ten minutes unable to make a sound or call for help. The light-blue lamps remained fixed on me. Finally they went out. The being crossed the road and immediately disappeared from view. I felt--I still feel--pain in my legs and my right hand."

At the place indicated, the police observed freshly turned earth. Grass had been torn up over an area 70 cm (27") in diameter. No trace of footprints could be discovered.

Oct. 28(?), 1954

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SOUCOUPES PAR CI, SOUCOUPES PAR LA

Un cultivateur voit[illegible]

Cheddre volant

Secousse ins[illegible]
et signes rose bonbon

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FLYING KETTLE

Oct. 28, 1954

Tarbes.--A truckdriver of Tarbes, M. Vincent Casamajou, who was driving a consignment in the direction of Angoulême at 6 A.M., accompanied by his wife, noticed a peculiar white light in his rear view mirror. Stopping his truck on the shoulder of the road, he and his wife saw a machine that had just taken off from a meadow less than 60 meters away. The craft, which had the form of an immense kettle, rose at great speed at a 45° angle, leaving a trail of white smoke. It disappeared into the clouds.

M. and Mme. Casamajou declare that the "kettle" was the size of a 5-ton truck, and flew silently.

Flying Saucers Stir France Again

[illegible] saucer reports, a farmer claimed he was paralyzed 10 minutes by "blue lights" pointed at him by "a creature in a sort of flying [illegible] another man said he saw a "flying cauldron" as big as a [illegible] truck taking off [illegible]

Oct. 28, 1954
Ouest-France (Rennes)

Probably Oct. 28
source?

Les « soucoupes » ont franchi (officiellement) le « rideau de fer »

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Et l'agence de conclure : « Le document présente un certain intérêt, sur le plan international, car les photos de ces boules de feu sont très rares ».

...et la frontière espagnole

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SOUCOUPE AU PAYS DES CASTAGNETTES

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Saucers Crack Iron Curtain
--It's Official
Oct. 27, 1954

Unknown craft appeared yesterday in the sky of Hungary, announces the Budapest news agency M.T.I. This is the first time the Hungarian agency has reported such an observation. #1837

It is stated even that the schoolmaster of a village in Gyoer Opro department photographed a "ball of fire" in the sky; the picture shows "a brilliant head with a tail."

The agency concludes: "This document has a certain international interest, for photographs of these fireballs are very rare."

--Also the Spanish Frontier

At Orense, in Spain, a number of residents saw a mysterious craft in the form of a luminous sphere which, after stopping for several seconds, disappeared at very high speed.

Oct. 27?, 1954 #1839

"BALL OF FIRE" PHOTOGRAPHED IN SKY OF HUNGARY #1838

(First sentence same as at left.)

It is stated that according to the newspaper "Esti Bud", the schoolmaster of Uni (Gyoer Opron department) photographed a ball of fire in the sky last Monday. (Remainder same as at left)

Spanish item same as at left.

Oct. 25, 1954

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Rhodes, Greece, October 27, 1954 #1840 AI-F-

Athens, October 28 (AFP)— A luminous flying disc of very large size was seen during last night(Oct. 27) over Rhodes. After having maneuvered for five minutes above the floating radio post(du poste de radio flottant) "Voice of America," the disc disappeared with great speed in a western direction. (Transl. T. Bloecher)

TIPSY SAUCER AND CANDY-PINK CIGAR

(1) Rome.--Three employees of the Modena police prefecture have made statements concerning the appearance of a strange "machine" over that town. They state that the #1830 construction, after traversing several kilometers in zigzag fashion, came to a halt directly over the airfield, discharging luminous rockets in all directions, after which it took off at breathtaking speed toward the Apennines.

(2) At Florence, hundreds of persons watching a practice #1831 game of the local football team, as well as the team members themselves, affirm that several "not-precisely-describable objects" of an absolute white hue crossed the sky in formation, travelling from north to south. Both "cigars" and "discs" were included among these objects. October 28, 4 P.M.

(3) According to three witnesses, another craft, of cylin- #1832 drical shape and very decidedly pink colour, crossed the sky of Verola (Verona?-ADM) at high speed, travelling northwest.

LA NOTTE (Milano) Oct. 28-29, 1954
p.2

PIROTECNICI I MARZIANI SUL LARIO

COMO, 28 ottobre

Un singolare quanto eccezionale fenomeno sarebbe stato registrato la scorsa notte da una donna di Torino, attualmente in vacanza sul nostro lago. Si tratta di Chiarina Franzinetti, residente a Torino in via Massena 90 e attualmente ospitata presso l'istituto delle Suore Canossiane di Domaso. La donna assicura di aver visto verso mezzanotte quattro ordigni fusiformi illuminati fermi sopra la bassa Valtellina. A un tratto questi ordigni si sono divisi: tre hanno composto una formazione che si è diretta sopra l'alto lago, mentre un altro si è fermato sopra Colico.

I tre misteriosi corpi aerei in formazione hanno iniziato una serie di evoluzioni con contorno pirotecnico: infatti dal più grosso di essi si diffondeva a tratti una specie di cortina fumogena, mentre da tutti cadevano verso il lago razzi biancastri e verdastri che illuminavano lo specchio dell'acqua. Le evoluzioni sono durate circa 3 ore e si sono concluse con una specie di pioggia intermittente di polvere luminosa. I quattro oggetti volanti si sono poi riuniti in pochi secondi, partendo poi in direzioni opposte.

La Notte (Milano), 28-9 oct. 1954 (p. 2) (5 col.): MARTIAN FIREWORKS OVER LARIO. [Photostated]

La Notte (Milano), 29-30 oct 1954 (p. 1: 24", 5 columns): LIGHT & SHADOW ON THE DISC OF TRADATE — [illegible] Tradate (Varese), 29 oct. — The Martians have landed at Tradate ... (details) — by Gianfranco Tonali. [Photostated]

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La Notte, Nov. 9-10, 1954: FLYING DISCS OVER YUGOSLAVIA TOO — quotes Belgrade paper "Politika." [Photostated]

La Notte, Nov. 10-11, 1954, p. 2: THE LAW IS READY FOR THE MARTIANS: Tradate landing was a hax. [Photostated]

CORRIERE DELLA SERA (Milano). Oct. 29, 1954 (p. 5)

Corpi luminosi nel cielo di Roma

In piazza San Silvestro il traffico è stato sospeso per circa un'ora

Roma 28 ottobre, notte.

Minuscoli corpi luminosi sono apparsi nel cielo limpido fra le 15.30 e le 16.30 e hanno compiuto gli spostamenti e le evoluzioni che ormai si attribuiscono agli oggetti comunemente denominati «dischi» o «sigari volanti».

Erano, evidentemente, corpi solidi ad altezza vertiginosa, sicchè apparivano come piccoli punti lucenti nell'azzurro del cielo, completamente sgombro di nubi. I passanti nei pressi di villa Savoia ne hanno segnalati una decina, mentre tre «dischi» sono stati avvistati da via Veneto, Trinità dei Monti, piazza Barberini, piazza San Silvestro e piazza del Popolo.

Nella centralissima piazza San Silvestro il traffico è rimasto parzialmente interrotto per circa un'ora, dalle 15.30 alle 16.30, a causa della folla che aveva invaso l'area dove transitano i veicoli.

Alcuni cittadini hanno affermato che mentre due dei corpi avevano una forma rotondeggiante, un altro era munito di una appendice, più luminosa del corpo centrale alla quale era unita. Il movimento, in un primo tempo, era lento e uniforme in un'unica direzione. Poi la formazione, se così si può dire, si è divisa e mentre un «disco» continuava a navigare lento in una direzione, gli altri scomparivano velocissimi in direzione opposta.

Allora è iniziata sulla città una misteriosa caduta di filamenti e di piccoli fiocchi simili a quelli della bambagia.

Oct. 28, p.5 (6") : "Luminous bodies in sky of Rome... traffic tied up for nearly an hour." Rome, 28 ott. — Small luminous bodies appeared in the clear sky between 15:30 & 16:30 & performed the spostamenti & evoluzioni now attributed to the objects recently called "flying discs" or "dischi." They were clearly solid bodies at a great height, appearing as little luminous points in the cloudless sky. The passers-by at Villa Savoia reported ca. 10, while three "dischi" were seen at via Veneto. In piazza San Silvestro traffic was partially interrupted for about an hour by the crowd... Some of the citizens affirmed that among the two of the bodies had a rotondeggiante shape, another had a less luminous appendage. The movement, at first, was slow & uniform. Then the formation broke up & among one "disc" continued to navigate slowly on; the others disappeared with great speed in the opposite direction.

"ALLORA È INIZIATA SULLA CITTÀ UNA MISTERIOSA CADUTA DI FILAMENTI E DI PICCOLI FIOCCHI SIMILI A QUELLI DELLA BAMBAGIA."

From NOV 11 1954
WORLD-TELEGRAM
New York, N. Y.

Italy Buzzing About Low-Buzzing Saucers

By the United Press.

ROME, Nov. 11.—Italians were no flying saucers in the skies today, for the first time in two months.

But this didn't mean that the sightings of reports of zooming discs and cigars and weird little martians was over.

It was merely raining.

Mrs. Lore Saw Something.

More than 400 flying saucers have been reported throughout Italy in the last 60 days—flying single or in formation, landing, taking off, periscoping somewhere and even digging a 20-foot crater in the earth and leaving a grove of poplar trees.

In Rome, U.S. ambassador Clare Boothe Luce said a few weeks ago she saw "something" in the skies over the capital, but would not go so far as to say it was a flying saucer. Page [illegible]

On Oct. 28 hundreds of Romans said they saw white and grey forms which appeared to be disc-like in shape. The first of flying objects was seen sailing at low altitude right over the sidewalk cafes of the swanky Via Veneto, favorite haunt of American tourists. They passed over the U.S. embassy and disappeared in direction of the famed Villa Borghese gardens.

"They were as nice, shining and sparkling," said Mrs. Anna Micali, a resident of the high-life Parioli district.

Elsewhere in Rome, traffic was stopped for half an hour that same day when a small crowd gathered under the suspected to the Torreglione elite troops in one of the city's busiest piazzas to gape at the sky.

Martians Described.

Some of them said they saw nothing, but the others kept on staring anyway.

"Men from Mars" popping out from the saucers were reported from all over the peninsula. Descriptions given by sightseers "eyewitnesses" differed somewhat, but appeared to establish that the Martians:

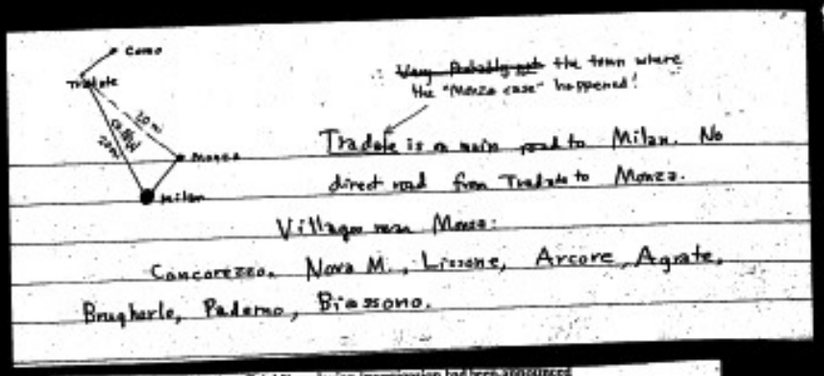
1. Love flowers.
2. Don't do any harm to men.
3. Are about three feet in height and wear armored breast plates and helmets.
4. Seem to glow.

The Italian Air Force military has officially denied sighting any saucers.

A number of Italians were not satisfied with official denials, however. A group of inquisitive citizens in Pietrelata today announced creation of an "independent center for collection of news on space observation (Cirnos)."

A Cirnos spokesman said dozens of letters have been received from Rome, Catanzaro and other Italian cities, and from Marseille and the Marseille area in France, giving "valuable details" on flying saucers.

Information collected so far shows that saucers are flying at far lower altitude in Europe than in the United States, the spokesman said. Their average height in America is 6000 to 18,000 feet as compared with only 3000 to 1200 feet in Europe, he said.



Very Probably the town where the "Motta case" happened!

Tradate is a main road to Milan. No direct rail from Tradate to Monza.

Villages near Monza:

Concorezzo, Nova M., Lissone, Arcore, Agrate, Brugherio, Paderno, Biassono.

The official Yugoslavian investigation had been announced only 24 hours when a new flying-saucer report was flashed to the United States from Rome. On October 28 a flying disc was sighted over Rome by many observers, including U. S. Ambassador Clare Boothe Luce.

"I saw something, but I don't know what it was," Ambassador Luce admitted.

As the saucer raced over the fashionable Boulevard Via Veneto, it was sighted by Maurizio Andreoli, an AP reporter.

"It looked," he said, "like a moon dashing across the sky at fantastic speed. It flew silently."

And Now Martians Snatch Flowers!

FLORENCE, Nov. 5 (INS)—Oh, those flower-loving martians. A peasant woman near Florence told police that a pair of three-foot high men snatched a bunch of carnations out of her arms and then took off shoes the skin in a cylindrical machine.

SEE LIFE NOV. 29, '54

Incident took place on Nov. 3. [illegible]

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Lackawanna Girl's 'Pen Pal' Tells of Saucers 'Bombing' Italy

Student, 15, in Florence Reports Rain of Glass Fragments on City When Discs Were Overhead

A 15-year-old Lackawanna girl has proved that "flying saucers" are an international topic. Valerie J. Ferguson of 91 Lehigh Ave. received a letter last

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work from a "pen pal" in Florence, Italy, stating that "saucers" like those "sighted" in the U. S. have "passed through" the area and bombed the city with glass.

Enclosed in the letter, from Bessi Franco, 16, are clippings of newspaper photographs of the "saucers." There is also a piece of one of the glass fragments reported to have fallen on Florence while the objects were overhead.

"Have you ever seen flying saucers?" Bessi asks. "Will they be dangerous?"

Valerie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Ferguson, received her Italian "pen pal" after she joined the International Friendship League of Boston eight months ago.

A seventh-grader in the Lincoln School Annex, she read about the league's letter-writing program in a feature on organizations. Valerie and Bessi exchange letters weekly.

NOW THEY'RE IN ITALY

Astral intruders are depicted by local artist

They had been in France and now over the Alps into Italy they came, only 1,736 years behind Hannibal's elephants. The astral adventurers in flying saucers who so upset the French (LIFE, Nov. 1) had moved on. In the Tuscan village of Bozzine two dwarfs popped out of a spool-shaped conveyance and accosted Signora Rosa Dainelli. They snatched one of her silk stockings and also made off with some carnations she was carrying. Mrs. Dainelli called the police. They listened. So did an artist for an Italian magazine, who imaginatively depicted the incident (below). Many other Italians have reported similar incidents (p. 134) involving flying dishs, cigars and Martians (Martians). The Italian air force, however, has reported that its radar, so far, has registered only recognizable aircraft.

LUMINOUS DISK was photographed in Dolcedine by Angelo Cerri, who first thought it was the moon. But he claimed object immediately sped away.

THE VICTIM, Rosa Dainelli, tells husband and children about her distressing meeting with strange little men. Police who went to the scene found nothing.

Bucine is 15 mi. W of Arezzo or 26 mi SE of Florence.

Isola is way up nearly in Switzerland, N of Domodossola. None shown near La Spezia, though there are some others (one is a small village NW of Florence.) There is a commune of Isolatorna SE of La Spezia — no town shown, though.

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SAINT JOHN NB.
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THE MAN on the STREET

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Flying Saucers have whirled their way back to Saint John.

Lately, we have been wondering what happened to the saucers once seen frequently over the city. It had been a month since we received the last report and for a while it looked as if the men from Mars had learned Earth was not worth bothering about.

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We know if we were from Mars, we would rather go back to bathing in the red canals than bother with the wars, high prices and other problems worrying the Earthman.

But, apparently there are still a few diehard Martians who want to take "just one more look" before kicking the accelerator of their saucers and "blasting off" home.

* * * Nov. 1 -?

A few days ago, we were packing up to go home for the day, when the telephone rang. A boyish and excited voice said hurriedly, "We just saw a flying saucer."

Although we have been the recipient of many such calls, we still could not prevent a trace of exhilaration from entering our voice as we asked where the young spotter had seen the craft.

"I said we," our young informant replied, almost indignantly. "There were five of us."

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Carefully, we pieced together the story. The five sighters were playing football on Brunswick Street about six o'clock. All agreed they looked up and saw "a bright object shooting across the sky. Then it broke up into three lights and disappeared. The boys' spokesman said "Gosh, it was travelling fast."

If you want to talk flying saucers with some experts, you might try getting in touch with Dennis Shannon, Douglas Robichaud, Frank Richard, Charles Lawton and Albert Harrison.

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When their spokesman told us one bright light "broke" into three smaller ones, we began to wonder if this was some new type of experimental craft sent to Earth just to confuse us.

But, whether the Martians come in one ship or 1,000, we hope to be able to receive them with open arms.

In fact, we hope to follow a plan laid down by a group of Belgians.

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At Brussels, a group of patriotic government employes have set up a semi-official welcoming committee to greet the first Martians to set foot, pseudopods or tenacles on Belgian soil.

On the agenda are a champagne party, procession through Brussels, and a tour of the local nightclubs.

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If Martians land in Saint John, we plan to take a photograph of them (unless they are publicity-shy), parade them through Saint John and Lancaster; take them to a local restaurant for a hamburger and ice cream soda; visit the Reversing Falls and Martello Tower and see if they will give us a ride in their flying saucer.

And if Martians turn out to be a bunch of plants or clinging vines, we will see if we can provide them with a place to stay in the Horticultural Gardens.

TAKEN NOV. 4, 1954

THE NEW YORK TIMES, SUNDAY, JULY 3, 1955.

Associated Press

FLYING SAUCERS? The United States Navy released on Friday this photo, which it says shows an "unusual cloud formation over the city of Marseilles, France." The picture was made on Nov. 4, 1954. The Navy gave no indication as to why it released the photograph at this time or any information as to why it considered the release of importance.

excerpts from: WELTRAUMBOTE #5 2 April 1956

Flying Saucer Above The Vatican

Around noon on 6 Nov 1954 Rome was visited by numerous Ufos flying at altitudes of about 6 to 8 miles with speeds of about 800mph. The craft, about 100 in all, were first seen as tiny white dots. Suddenly I noticed how they formed a large V and in this formation flew from the east toward Ostia. Just then a second formation came from the opposite direction. Both formations approached each other rapidly, converging at the points of the Vees and now forming a large cross. This happened in the direction of Trastevere-Monte Mario. The cross was well visible for about a minute; it left a deep impression with all who saw it.

By order of "higher authority" nothing of this sighting appeared in the world's press. I sent a report to the high command of NATO and received a reply closing with these words: "Your report is regarded as most interesting however, it is inopportune to disclose details from it to the public."

Dr. Alberto Perego(ex-consul&private pilot)
43 Via Ruggero Fauro
Rome, Italy

writing in:
Drei-Eichen-Blätter
(Three Oak Leaves)
Munich, Germany 1 Feb 1956

The witness gave exact details also to the Association Mondialiste Interplanétaire of Lausanne and published a very thorough article about this sighting in "Curieux" (Neuenberg, Switzerland) No.34 of 24 Aug 1955.

Gimli RCAF Base, Manitoba, Nov. 7, 1954 Ottowa Evening Journal November 9, 1954

'Rocket'Trailing Blue Flame Has Gimli Air Base in Tizzy

Gimli, Manitoba, Nov. 9 (CP)-- A "flying rocket," silvery colored and trailing a blue flame, was reported moving at an incredible speed over Gimli RCAF Base Sunday.

A base official said many calls had been received from residents in the Gimli area and he added that four airmen who "saw" the object would be quizzed seperately about the "rocket."

"It followed the curvature of the earth from over the lake toward the airport at an unbelievably high rate to speed," said Baldwin Martin, a radio technician at Gimli.

"It made no sound but was trailed by a slight blue flame, not as long as the tail of a meteor."

The four airmen termed the "rocket" a "mechanical object" resembling a shooting star.

Gimli is 50 miles north of Winnipeg on the west shore of Lake Gimli.

Daily Mail
(London)

300 soldiers see 'flying saucer'

Rome, Sunday.—Three hundred Italian soldiers saw a flying saucer" last week, the Italian Army announced today. The men, on manoeuvres near Civitavecchia, South-Western Switzerland, said it was a disc-shaped object with a red glow on its lower surface. It was about 30 feet wide and moved up and [illegible]

Daily Mail
(Ottawa)

12 NOV 1954

"SAUCER" WAS A BRITISH HELICOPTER

A Westland S.51 helicopter on a [illegible] flight to Spain and Portugal was mistaken for a flying saucer when bad weather forced it to land on a football field at Avize, a small town in the north of France.

Hundreds of small boys surrounded the helicopter and one rushed to an office to say that a "flying saucer" had landed. Pilot Lt. [illegible] and members of the ground crew [illegible]

OLEAN, N. Y.
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The UFO Story

By Bob [illegible]

In Brazil in the year [illegible] a close encounter with an Unidentified Flying Object came perilously close to tragedy. It was the night of November 21st and a Brazilian airliner, bound for Rio de Janeiro, was cruising along. The plane was flying at an altitude of [illegible] over the Paraiba River when a strange glow suddenly appeared ahead. A weird formation took place in a matter of seconds. A total of 19 round objects, each more than 100 feet in diameter, appeared and were glowing like hot metal. The mysterious objects approached at supersonic speed. The objects were flashing beneath the wings of the Brazilian plane before the pilot had a chance to move the controls.

As several of the objects streaked by the cabin of the plane, the 13 passengers stampeded. One woman ran into the pilots compartment, SCREAMING. Another passenger, battling crewman, tried to reach the main exit. For several minutes the cabin of the plane was a complete madhouse. Crewmen had to use force because of the mounting possibility of a crash. Finally, the passengers were subdued, and the plane landed safely.

The story swiftly spread through Rio de Janeiro and in less than an hour, the Brazilian press wires were busy relaying the story to other countries. The Brazilian Air Force was badly wanted . . . and they had reason to be too. Flying saucers had been maneuvering over their base. Brazil wanted other countries to pool their information with them concerning Unidentified Flying Objects for the purpose of being brought up to date as to what they were up against. But evidently, everybody wanted to keep all their reports to themselves and conduct their own secret investigations instead of working together as an international team.

TIMES Chattanooga, Tenn.
NOV 23 1954

Saucer Troubles

TEHRAN (AP) — Reports of "flying saucers" in and near Iran's capital brought this plea from Tehran's English-language Tehran Journal:

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Tehran Asks Its Own Troubles

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Jamaica, N. Y.

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STAR Kansas City, Mo.
DEC 1 1954

PLEA ON "FLYING SAUCERS."

Iranians Ask That Strange Craft Be Flown Elsewhere.

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"One version is that the flying objects are some kind of new secret weapon being tried out by various countries. If this is so, then we say: Try your weapons wherever you please but keep out of Asia in general and Iran in particular. 'Please! We've got enough troubles already.'"

Case 59, Rio De Janiero, Brazil, Nov. 22, 1954) Saucer events happening in South America are not carried by our newswires, so we got this one from Harold Fulton in New Zealand who got it from the Daily Skatch in England. "The pilot of a Brazilian airliner reported a fleet of 19 saucer-shaped objects, that flew at tremendous speed, less than 300 ft. from his plane. His passengers panicked. Members of the crew had to act 'most violently' to overcome their fears...." CRIFO, 2-65, P.8.

[illegible] So much for this. You wanted information about an incident involving a Brazilian airliner and a formation of UFOs. The case is not fictitious, it really happened. The date was November 21, 1954. The "Douglas" PP-NSM from the "National Airlines" was flying from Belo Horizonte, State of Minas Gerais, toward Rio de Janeiro. Good visibility. Blue sky above the airliner and some clouds below. The plane was at 9,000 feet, flying over the Paraiba Valley near the town of Paraiba do Sul, when the copilot saw the UFOs. The time was 11:30 a.m. Commander Armando Serafino (copilot), Commander Pedro Lins Taiandro (pilot), Mr. Vicente P. Marques (steward) and José E. Calcidra (radio-operator) were the chief witnesses. The UFO formation came from the northeast flying at 7,200 feet, passed just below the airliner at high speed, and disappeared toward the southwest apparently in the direction of a town called Resende. The plane was moving on a N-S direction and the UFO formation crossed just under it. The objects did not rotate, seemed to be of aluminum (or [illegible] metal) and—under the sunlight—showed a bright, polished surface. They were shaped like [illegible] with a kind of cupola (or dome) on top. They might be compared (in shape) to a soldier helmet with a large rim around the center part. There was a larger one at the center of the 4 formation—"the squadron chief"—and the others were grouped around it at close distance. The whole formation was about 120 feet in diameter and each object measured approximately 2[illegible] feet (in diameter). There was a strange bluish glow around each UFO and around the whole formation—this phenomenon (according to the copilot) might be a result of the high velocity of the objects, plus reflection of sunlight (?). The UFOs showed no propellers, jet-tubes, wings, tail or protruding fins. They were unlike anything known—true alien craft. Their trajectory was regular. Some passengers came to the airliner windows still in time to watch the fleet of 19 disk-shaped objects, but others were too late and saw nothing. The sighting lasted about 40 or 50 seconds. It was said that the passengers panicked, but the pilot (talking to the press) dismissed this version as false. He explained that only a few passengers might have seen the UFOs—the scene was too rapid. Those few were, of course, scared—but not the others, the majority. There was no need to act violently to control their panic (he said), because there was no hysteria. On the other side, the passengers refused to comment the question. Maybe they did not want to confess their fear, maybe the pilot was telling the truth. I don't know. Anyway, the case is excellent. The sighting was immediately reported by radio and there was also a written report—requested by Colonel Adil de Oliveira.

In Brazil one close encounter came perilously close to tragedy.

It was the night of November 21, 1954, and a Brazilian airliner, bound for Rio de Janiero, was cruising along in the dark. Flying at 9000 feet, the plane was over the Paraiba River when a strange glow suddenly appeared ahead.

In a moment a weird formation took shape—19 round machines, each more than 100 feet in diameter. Glowing like hot metal, the mysterious crafts approached at supersonic speed. Before the pilot could move his controls, the saucers were flashing past and beneath his wings.

As several machines streaked by the cabin, the 13 passengers stampeded. One woman, screaming, ran into the pilot's compartment. Another passenger, battling a crewman, tried to reach the main exit.

For two or three minutes the cabin was a madhouse. With the danger of a crash mounting, crewmen had to use force. But the frightened passengers were finally subdued; and the plane landed safely.

Swiftly the story spread through Rio de Janeiro. In less than an hour it was on the Brazilian press wires, being relayed to foreign countries.

Early the next day I had a call from Robert J. Stirling, United Press feature writer and Washington director of the UP's weekly radio roundup.

"Don, a terrific saucer report just came in." He read me the report.

"That was close!" I said. "No wonder Brazil's asking for help."

REMARKABLE NORWEGIAN NEAR-LANDING CASE OF 1954 NOW PUBLISHED

In the March, 1957 issue of SIR! magazine (thanks to Theodore W. Hill of Woodbury, N.J. for sending it to us), Norwegian newspaperman Oddvar Larsen tells of an extraordinary sighting, which he believes to be authentic. (Incidentally, publication in a magazine like SIR! might raise a question of whether the whole thing is a piece of fiction; fortunately, we can attest to the bona fides of Oddvar Larsen.) Larsen writes directly in English: the article is not a translation.

The date was November 23, 1954--a time just after the great landing wave in France, when notable sightings were being made in many places, among them Italy and Brazil. The witnesses were three little girls, Anne and Tora Storedal and Tora Moy Haugo, of Torpo, in the Hallingdal district; Anne was ten years old, the other two were nine, and all were frightened out of their wits. As they were coming home from school near some woods, a black object descended rapidly from the sky, knocked snow from the tree tops, and stopped only a few feet above the girls' heads. They gave the following weird description of it: "It looked like a stone...like a ball ...about ten feet across; the lower part was black, but trimmed with yellow spots which could have been made of glass, and there were also a number of small, red jags." The upper part was transparent--the trees could be seen through it--and a human or at any rate semi-human pilot was visible inside, operating controls of some sort. Dressed in black, this man or entity had "big eyes, covered by a pair of immense, red glasses", with which he looked straight at the girls. The craft then rose again with a droning sound, brushing a high-tension line and striking a shower of sparks from it; an odor compared by Tora Moy to "fried sausages" (ozone?) filled the air; and the little girls ran for their lives.

When Larsen first heard of this story, he was naturally skeptical; but after hearing tape recordings of an on-the-spot investigation of the case, he was convinced that neither hoax nor helicopter could account for it. He cites, for example, this detail given by Tora Storedal:

"When the stone came down toward me it had a long, white tail behind, but when the stone turned and moved away, the tail went first. That was funny, I thought."

In the snow, there was found and photographed a disturbed track 25 yards long, presumably made by the craft after the girls had turned their backs on it.

The Research Section is of course not in a position to endorse this case, but Larsen's writing gives a favorable impression of his good sense, and the evidence as he reports it appears good.

A striking parallel is apparent between the Torpo case and the Hemmingford, Quebec landing of August 28, 1954. Here too a spherical craft was reported, with "men" (seven feet tall) dressed in black, with "big round eyes" (unfortunately, no further detail is available.) The Hemmingford case's claim to acceptance likewise rests principally on the good impression of honesty and sanity given by the witnesses (Mrs. Coupal and sons) in a taped interview, for which the saucer world is indebted to investigator Dr. A.C.Dittmar of Au Sable Forks, N.Y. (Dr. Dittmar, director of Tape Recorded UFO Information Service, generously offers to copy tapes from his collection for those who send a spool of blank tape with directions about speed, etc. Although he does this gratis, you ought to send a couple of dollars to repay him for his time.)

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A PERSONAL REQUEST TO SAUCER RESEARCHERS: Will you check your files to see if they contain any reference to a man named Stoelting? Probably in connection with a Scully-type tale about a little "Venusian" preserved in a jar--the date probably 1949-1950. Any leads on this would be of urgent interest and importance to us now.

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EXCLUSIVE--ARGENTINA OFFICIALLY CLEARS "SAUCER" [illegible]
FIRST DIPLOMATIC REPORT [illegible]

[illegible] reported, "The Air Ministry stated that the records of [illegible] tion of UFO's is not to be made public. It is to be locked away and may [illegible] released; for the Air Ministry is afraid it will encounter or promote [illegible] With this report, sent in by Harold Fulton of New Zealand, [illegible] South Africa, where it was announced by the Defense Dept. [illegible] "flying saucers", seen in that country, were labelled "[illegible] Equally hushed, but less blunt, is the U.S. [illegible]

[illegible] denial that [illegible] will take place since we [illegible] personnel."

But, the bombshells were exploding. On May 23, INS reported Dorothy [illegible] dispatch from London which quoted a British official of cabinet rank as [illegible] believe, on the basis of our inquiries thus far, that the saucers were [illegible] men, probably under four feet tall. It's frightening but there is no denying the flying saucers come from another planet."

An earlier bombshell arrived in the GRIFO mailbox. It came as registered [illegible] matic Mail," dated May 9, '55, from the Air Attache of the Argentine Embassy [illegible] ington, D.C. Inside was a courteous letter with stamped clearances [illegible] of Saturnino G. Armenanzas, Brigadier General, Air Attache. Attached [illegible] page report describing UFO's which appeared over the airport of Cordoba, Argentina [illegible] dated November 25, 1954. The report, translated from the Spanish by Miss [illegible] and Jose Almeida and confirmed by the Berlitz School of Languages, stated as follows: "In the press office of this Ministry of Aeronautics there was made known to reporters the observation of two strange phenomena having characteristics such as [illegible] suppose to be similar to the flying saucers which excite universal curiosity [illegible] The information advises us that today they were encountered to advantage [illegible] tower of the Cordoba Airport, on the road to Pajas Blancas, within the [illegible] city. Doctor Marcos Guerci, Chief of Meteorological Service of the airport, [illegible] we say, in the control tower, which has a height of 17 meters, when [illegible] windows a strange body, or something similar, attracted his attention. [illegible] the sky and it emitted a light, says Dr. Guerci, which has no comparison [illegible] objects seen in the sky. White, gray, or bluish--in effect, he was not able to [illegible] the color.

Knowing through his habit of observing the heavens that he was not dealing with anything ordinary, he paid more attention and at the same time noticed the hour; 1:25 [illegible] amining the luminous point, he saw that it had a lengthened [illegible], something like a half moon, but more open. Immediately, he communicated the remarkable occurrence to the operator of the tower, Carlos Hugo Bassoli, who was also surprised at the luminous body which seemed to be fixed. Immediately, using common lenses (telescopes), they were able to see with more detail the phenomenon which showed an intensely luminous nucleus and a less brilliant halo which surrounded it.

It was attempted afterwards to give notice of this to the National Astronomical Observatory for the purpose of obtaining photographs and other observations with more appropriate apparatus, but owing to the hour, there was no personage there for that kind of work. So that the curious event might be appraised by the greatest number of persons, it was observed by Rodolfo Moreyra, of the flight section; Luis Rafael Gomez, radio operator, Antonio Cuvillas and Alberto M. Baxter, employees of the airport, and Angel de la Cruz Farias, watchman, who comprised all the person there at that hour.

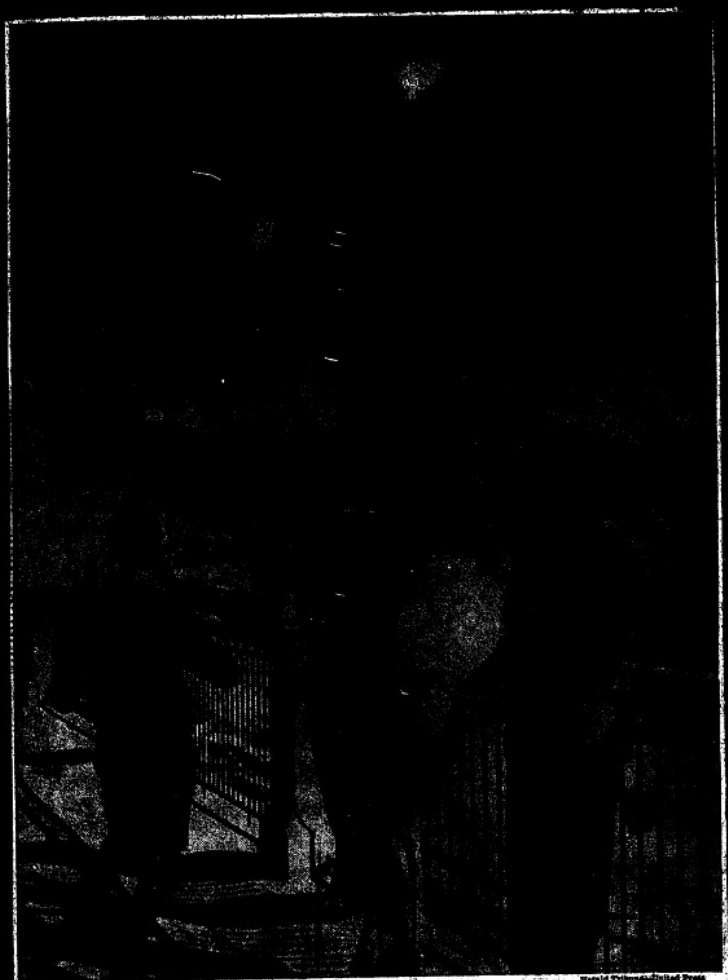
all of them swear to having witnessed the strange event [illegible]
witnesses, and they agree in all their harmonious [illegible]
which by the height of the cirrus which was in the sky at [illegible]
some 3000 meters in height, remained immovable over [illegible]

While all those named were interested in their observations, [illegible]
tensely surprised upon observing at 5:45, or it may be [illegible]
served the presence in the sky of the cigar or half moon, [illegible]
other luminous body similar to the first but different in its form [illegible]
cular, somewhat like a saucer, also with a very luminous [illegible]
ances formed a halo giving it that circular form. Both phenomena [illegible]
seen with simple vision and it was not possible to confuse them with [illegible]
of the strange brilliancy of their unknown origin.

Observed with lenses, this second body, as Professor Guerci explained [illegible]
size of a football. The luminous nucleus was nearly on one edge and [illegible]
noticed that kind of halo which the observers do not have words sufficient [illegible]
to describe, a halo that was some four times larger than the nucleus. The [illegible]
nomena remained fixed in the place where they were observed until 6:15, [illegible]
disappeared. The first, the one with the form of a half moon, was slowly [illegible]
itself toward the west, and the second, the one with the form of a cigar, [illegible]
always slowly. The observers assume that they ceased to be visible [illegible]
of the appearance of the sun, which with its light put out their brilliance. [illegible]
the first was visible around an hour and the second for a half hour, more or less.

Professor Guerci showed us that it is not possible to confuse the observations [illegible]
them with stars on account of the hour and on account of their movements [illegible]
the fact that they had different forms, which, as we ascertain, it was possible [illegible]
serve with simple vision. With respect to the possibility that they might be [illegible]
saucers or cigars, he said, without being definite in giving an opinion, that [illegible]
he had observed something foreign to our knowledge. Professor Guerci is [illegible]
of the Meteorological Service of the Airport of Cordoba and he has belonged [illegible]
Ministry of Aeronautics for six years. The news of these curious observations [illegible]
seriousness of the informative source and the unanimity of opinions of those [illegible]
the opportunity to evaluate the phenomena, scattered at midday in this area, has [illegible]
ened extraordinary expectations."

EDITOR: The Cordoba incident will be filed as Case 81. The date indicated on [illegible]
lease is Nov. 25, '54, but the incident may have actually occurred on Nov. 22 [illegible]
date when Brazil reported that a formation of 19 saucers had flown perilously [illegible]
a commercial aircraft. See Case 59. Reports from S. America are heavy, [illegible]
make the news wires. Coral Lorenzen, thru her APRO Bulletins, has [illegible]
startling material from a creditable source in Venezuela, which if true, [illegible]
hideous, hairy, dwarf-like "biped" has already alighted on earth from extra- [illegible]
trial craft. Several incidents, involving these abominable creatures, occurred [illegible]
in November of 1954. On still another issue, the Cordoba incident, reminds [illegible]
official clearance, should dismiss any notion that such devices involved [illegible]
U.S., British or Russian missiles or neo-type aircraft.



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One of the pictures secretly showing flying saucers, which are being studied by defense agencies. It was taken at Taormina, Sicily. Similar photographs were made in Sweden and Yugoslavia. Tribune Jan. 25, 1952

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Air Force to Probe New 'Flying Saucers' Over Europe

NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1954

By Ansel E. Talbert

The United States armed services are receiving few reports of mysterious airborne objects this year but in Europe a mass of recent "flying saucer" reports has caused serious investigations in several nations. In at least three European nations — Sweden, Yugoslavia and Italy — purported photographs of the mysterious flying objects were taken and are being studied by defense agencies to determine whether they could be [illegible] vehicles, natural phenomena or frauds. The United States Air Force's Air Technical Intelligence Center at Wright - Patterson Air Force Base, near Dayton, Ohio, which is charged with investigating all "unusual aerial phenomena" having a possible bearing on national defense, also plans to analyze the data and photographs from abroad. The Air Force said officially last night that its technical intelligence chiefs, who have been looking into reports of saucer, cigar and disc-shaped objects moving through the skies since 1947, still have no opinion of what they might be. The Air Force said further that they "are not any plane, missile or weapon" developed or under development by the United States and that "no scientific evidence exists that they are space ships from another planet."

Many sightings have been quickly explained by Air Force scientists and analysts as obvious mistakes by their viewers who confused natural phenomena, including reflections on clouds or objects such as weather balloons, with "flying saucers." The Air Force says that comparatively few are deliberate hoaxes. Approximately 10 per cent constitute observations by reliable persons for which there is no apparent explanation.

The New York Herald Tribune received several days ago a copy of a photograph taken at Taormina, Sicily, which showed a group of Sicilians gazing skyward at two disc-shaped objects. These objects hovered over the town for two minutes before disappearing, according to Giuseppe Orsano, the photographer who furnished the photograph to the Rome Bureau of the The United Press and who is regarded by them as reliable.

The Herald Tribune withheld this photograph from publication pending a further check by The United Press. The United Press reported yesterday that the original negative of the Taormina photograph had been obtained by its Rome bureau and that a careful examination revealed no evidence of double exposure, retouching or any other known methods of fake photography.

The United Press stated, "We [illegible] from the [illegible] of fraud whatever." (Picture appears on Page One.)

Some parachute operations apparently had been conducted in the area recently, according to the United Press, but no direct connection between the objects shown in the photograph from Sicily and parachutes was discovered.

Clare Boothe Luce, American Ambassador to Italy, is among the hundreds of persons abroad who have reported seeing unusual phenomena in the skies, although she stressed that she had no idea what they might be. Dr. Rafaele Bendandi, an Italian astronomer of considerable repute, has offered an opinion that the mysterious objects seen with increasing frequency are "human-made."

In Yugoslavia, Dr. Milorad Protic, also an astronomer, stated that a glowing object which streaked over Belgrade going due east, and was reported in many other parts of the nation, "could not be a meteorite because it flew horizontally on a fixed course." A spokesman for Marshal Tito's government said that although other scientists disagreed "we are taking the matter very seriously and conducting a thorough investigation."

Sweden's Defense Ministry has revealed that photographs were taken two months ago with a telephoto lens of an object which passed over southern Sweden "at exceptionally high speed" approximately 18,000 feet high. This object went northward and was under observation "from horizon to horizon." No announcement has been made by Sweden as to what it believes the object to have been.

In France, which except for Italy has been the origin of more recent "flying saucer" reports than any other nation in Europe, the magazine "Express," regarded as the voice of Premier Pierre Mendes-France, has offered a reward of 10,000,000 francs (about $28,570) to the first person to bring a visitor from outer space into its office.

The French National Committee for Festivals has just issued a program mapping out such a visitor's first day in France. This includes an official reception at the Elysee Palace, official home of the President, and a gold medal with the inscription: "For having the courtesy to land first in France."

plained, "because it might give me a heart attack. I believe these discs and their crews may possibly exist."

Paolo showed our reporters the slope leading down to two cottages, on Buena Vista St. "Look", he said, "this is the place from which Ponce says he saw one of the manikins emerging with earth in his hands. If he gathered it there, he must have got some black soil from the portion that is under cultivation."

'twill pass. While on shipboard the only saucer work I did was to post a notice requesting people to bring me observations. But only one did. I suppose I posted it too late (Saturday morning); should have got at it earlier. A bandsman, Reginald Swain, finally brought me the following rather low-quality (but, I presume, genuine) sighting:

Some time in November, 1954, after dark, his wife was hanging out washing, which caused her to raise her head, and so she saw a luminous disc come sailing over the house. It was travelling somewhat W of N, and the colour was a "fluorescent blue". It "appeared the size of a half-crown." (useless, of course; but a half-crown is rather larger than a 50¢ piece.) She called out to him to come look, but by the time he got out, it was out of sight. Exact date & time not recalled; but he did recall that in the next day's News-Chronicle was a story of what was apparently the same object being seen over Southend, the time being given as 10 minutes earlier than when seen by his wife at Ealing, & the direction being given as towards Ealing. (Southend is a southern, Ealing a western suburb of London: from Southend to Ealing is 13 miles, the direction WNW.) I shall look for the News-Chronicle item.

(Picture case) "Monkeyed" is Carter's description.

Read from Dick Hall w/note CSI

Ex-Wacoan in Venezuela Relates Saucer Saga There

By MARY LOUISE LOGAN
Waco Tribune-Herald Staff

Regardless curiosity is unlimited wherever the word, flying saucer, is mentioned. What is it? Could it be a guided missile or a spy ship from Mars?

A letter received last week by Dr. and Mrs. V. A. Kelley, 1225 North Seventh Street, caused friends to wonder more about this scientific phenomenon. The letter was written by the Wacoans' daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Jenkins, who with her husband, Earl, works at the Escuela Normal Rural Interamericana school in Rubio, Estado Tachira, Venezuela.

The letter concerned "a luminous disk" which landed in a city near Caracas and its effect on two Venezuelan merchants. Although causally related, the incident attracted more than casual interest among readers.

Two men were driving along the road around 1 a. m. preparatory to taking goods to the market. A "luminous disk" some two meters long and one meter wide hovering about 20 centimeters over the center of the city street hurried them to stop. They noticed three small men, one metre tall, around the glowing object. Gasping a flashlight the driver ran forward. His companion was with him until he noticed one of the little men holding an "instrument." Frightened he ran the other way to a nearby traffic control point.

Meantime the driver threw his flashlight at one of the men and grabbed his fiery gun up, grabbed the little fellow. Armed him high against his chest and tried to take him back to the car. The little man gave him a hard blow in the left side and squirmed away. Drawing a knife the driver tried to stab the creature but he ducked through "a machine like stone." Impatiently the Rubio little men entered the disk which ascended at terrific speed and disappeared.

Later at the traffic control point, the driver expressed his fear which was beginning to show a bad brains. He said he believed the little creature was escaping up tendrils of earth which he took into the disk. Authorities reported the men had not been drinking, but they were still undergoing investigation for shock and nervous collapse of the term. Standard state of the accident.

VERY LARGE EYES is the way a Venezuelan merchant described the above creature which he saw standing beside a "luminous disk" hovering over a street in a town near Caracas. The drawing is a duplicate of one made by the merchant for interested authorities at the town's traffic control point.

While not a scientific achievement, the Rubio school is certainly an educational one. It was organized for the purpose of training rural school teachers from all American nations to teach other teachers for rural schools in their own countries. The idea originated with the Inter-American Assembly held in Caracas in 1948 and later passed by the Inter-American Economic and Social Council of the Organization of American States on Dec. 22, 1950.

Students may come from 18 participating countries—Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Haiti, Peru and Venezuela. The latter country was chosen as site for the Pan American Union, Project 26 because it offered the best technical facilities.

Called the "Gervasio Rubio" Normal Rural School after the city's founder, it is a group of separate, permanent buildings rising in the middle of a 114-acre tract of land. There are five classrooms accommodating 40 students each, and rooms for offices, laboratory, library - museum, auditorium, recreation, cafe and supply storage. First aid, dining, kitchen, pantry, laundry, shops and living quarters for men, women and resident professors.

Elizabeth is secretary of the school employed by the Venezuelan government and Earl is an instructor employed by the Pan American Union.

Because of Rubio's proximity to the Venezuelan-Colombian border the Antilles have learned much about Motilones, a migratory tribe of little known Indians who range back and forth over the border. These facts they pass on to interested relatives and friends.

Most of the information comes from a small Motilones boy captured during a raid. Taken to the home of a Colombian family living on the military post, he proved

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Mrs. Luce a Witness:

Saucers Again—Spotted in Whirl Over Rome

3 'Things in the Sky' Look Big as American Half-Dollar

ROME, Oct. 28 (AP).—Rome's flying saucer—described by cab drivers as a flying saucer—was seen over Rome yesterday by reporters and U. S. Ambassador Luce.

The newspapermen, Associated Press employe Silvestro Amendola, said it looked like a bomber or some other plane.

Mrs. Luce said:

"I saw something but I don't know what it was."

"The thing circled over the city at late afternoon before vanishing down.

SEES 3 OF THEM.

"From Via Veneto, the fashionable street the U. S. Embassy is on, it looked like a moon dashing across the sky at fantastic speed.

"It flew silently and its size at the distance was of the diameter of an American half dollar," said Amendola. As a matter of fact, Amendola said he saw three things, two of them trailing the third.

A few minutes after they appeared, cab drivers declared they saw blue sailors or wood particles falling from the sky and jamming telephone wires.

The same sort of phenomenon was reported the day before in Tuscany, Rome's Giornale d'Italia suggested an explanation:

"The threads may be some sort of color conductor, similar to the tinfoil dropped by bombers in the last war, now being used by Italian or Allied planes."

Limassol, Cyprus, Dec. 5?, 1954 AI-P-

Nicosia, Dec. 5 (AFP)— The residents of Limassol, a town situated on the southern coast of Cyprus, have seen what they affirm to be a flying saucer, hovering toward the northwest at a great speed and high altitude. (???)

The eyewitnesses state that the object, which was in view for several minutes before it disappeared behind the clouds, was round and silver colored.

CARACAS, VENEZUELA, Dec. 7, 1954 (UP)— Thousands of persons spent the greater part of Tuesday morning watching what most of them claimed was a flying saucer in the skies over the city. Many persons described the object they said they saw as a "luminous sphere in movement." (From NY Daily Mirror, December 8, 1954.)

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Tegucigalpa, Honduras, Dec. 12, 1954 AI-P-

Tegucigalpa, Dec. 12 (UP)— The Honduran Air Force reported today that a large luminous object flew over the city this morning at a height of 25,000 ft. The report was promptly broadcast over the radio, and many persons rushed out into the streets to see the phenomenon.

One eye-witness said the object appeared as a glowing body of considerable size, which seemed to change shape slightly as it moved through space, giving the impression that it was made of or surrounded by a gaseous substance.

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Saucers, and Things.

Now Europe has been attacked by the so-called flying saucer craze.

Personally, all we know is that people have been claiming to have seen these things ever since 1947. And that at the present speed at which we are gaining knowledge of them, whatever they are, it is quite possible they really will be here by the time we find out what they are.

From W. Webb, Nature of the True UFO, May 1956, p. 58

Cape
December 7, 1954 - weather station, Upington, [redacted] Province, South Africa. R. H. Klayweg, meteorologist in charge, had released a balloon for upper wind observation. "As I was shielding my eyes from the sun when I saw an object to the east of the sun, moving slowly from the west. I thought this was my balloon and picked it up in the theodolite. As there was some cloud about, I had released a red balloon, but this object was white, not red; it was like a half circle with the sun reflecting off the sloping top. I followed this object for about 3 minutes, not knowing what to make of it. It was not moving too fast, and was easy to follow. I could see it through cloud owing to the reflection of the sun from it. My stopwatch was still going and I decided to take theodolite observations. In the first reading the angles were 43.7 degrees azimuth from true north and the elevation 56.7 degrees. I had no sooner written this down than the object began to move at greater speed. I kept it in sight for another few minutes and took another reading. This was 38 degrees from north and the elevation was also 38 degrees. I scribbled the last two reading down on the pad but the object was moving so fast that I could not find it again in the theodolite when I looked up. I have followed thousands of meteorological balloons and this object was no balloon. It did not look or behave like a balloon. The angular observations give a movement of the object of 30 degrees true (i.e., from 210 degrees) in direction and a speed of 75 mph for each 10,000 feet of its height above ground."

Another Eye Witness Account From Switzerland

Mme Vivot, wife of M M.Vivot, son of an industrialist, officer in the army, living at Rue de Corcelles 4, Peseux (Neuenburg) saw on the morning of 31Dec1954 at 7:55 o'clock from her window an oval, dull, steel grey object about 500 yards away. At this distance the object appeared as large as a 15 yard wide roof about 100 yds from her window. On this basis M Vivot estimated the objects circumference (?) at about 100 to 150 yards. The front portion of the object which remained stationary vibrated like a falling leaf. The object had a powerful searchlight, not unlike strongly phosphorescent neon, on one side and on the other end something like a fire of sparks that gave off a faint crackling noise; or like an emmission of steam. As the sparks went out a thick cloud of white smoke became visible.

Now the thing began to turn for the searchlight and the smoke on the other and began to spin round the object at increasing speed. Slowly the machine began to climb at an angle. Mme Vivot called her tennant, Mme Jaunin and her maid. These people watched the revolving object also. Over a ten minute period M Vivot observed through binoculars and corroborated the other witnesses' findings. The weather was quite clear. M Vivot telephoned the observatory at Neuenburg where his account met with deaf ears and the sentence: "You don't mean to tell us you saw a flying saucer?" A weather balloon was mentioned.

Until now the object had moved very slowly. At a certain point the thing became stationary and M Vivot saw through his binoculars a puff of smoke issueing both at front and in back. The machine gained speed now, however, was still visible at 8:30. As the distance increased the light became stronger. A tremendous force seemed to issue from this craft which annoyed Mme Vivot for at least three days. She drove with her husband to the vicinity where she supposed a landing took place near Chantemerle above Corcelles. The search for traces proved unsuccessful. Telling their friends about the sighting provoked laughter. Mme Vivot wishes to tell about this sighting to all interested persons. Both had never believed in flying saucers and never read works about the subject.

After a personal report by Mme Vivot to Roger Girardet, member AMI. From Le Coumier Interplanétaire, Lausanne. No.2 2April 1955

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Jan. 14, 1958.

INTENSE BLUE LIGHT SEEN IN SPACE AND THEN A GREAT EXPLOSION IS FELT

Residents of a whole block, alarmed, run into the street to ask the origin of the phenomenon.

Accompanied by an intense bluish light, a mysterious explosion was perceived yesterday morning, startling residents of the Los Palos Grandes housing development. 1-13-58

At 1:07 A.M., people sleeping peacefully in their homes were suddenly wakened by an uproar accompanied by a brilliant, blinding light of blue colour, according to statements of residents. Several seconds of profound silence followed, then the crying of a scared child touched off a general hubbub during which windows lighted up and people ran out into the street to inquire about the origin of the phenomenon.

Sra. Avelina del Pase, of Andres Bello St., told reporters that a number of radio patrols showed up in the zone, restoring order and investigating in streets, houses and courtyards to find the source of the explosion. But they found nothing, she said; all was as tranquil as if nothing had happened.

In the opinion of Francisco Leal, of 7th St., the explosion was a gigantic landslide of stones and earth on Mt. Avila, but he was surprised to see the next day that everything was normal in the Avila range.

Sra. Emma Worthinmenger told representatives of the press that she felt herself shaken in her bed, at the same time that a blinding light came in the windows of her house. "It was blue", she said, "and lit the room like daylight; it didn't go out rapidly, but was slowly attenuated, and was finally lost toward the northeast. It gave me sufficient time to see it, considering that I was in the boys' room, holding the smallest boy in my arms; I went out into the garden, followed by the rest. Then the light was already small, and appeared hardly more than a point. It gave the impression of a phosphorescent xxxxx train."

On the other hand, the Escobar family scarcely saw the light, and would not have gone out into the street, until the time when the explosion occurred and the voices and runnings to and fro of the neighbours decided them to do so. "We heard the explosion", they said, "but didn't want to go out because we thought it was an earthquake; but seeing that the house was not settling and that nothing more was happening, we went out in the street; all the neighbours were running back and forth and nobody could give an explanation of the occurrence."

For their part, all the members of the Armas family (three blocks from Sra. del Pase) gave an identical story to all the rest of the witnesses. "We were in bed", they said, "and thought the report was the explosion of a gas tank in some nearby villa; but the people in the street, the crying of the children convinced us that matters were different from that."

There are some details--according to the statements of the Los Palos Grandes inhabitants--that strike the attention: ALL STATEMENTS AGREE that (a) the light was bluish and intense (b) the light emanated from above (c) ALL the residents heard a strange noise at the time when the light diffused.

All these circumstances are valuable data, from which experts may be able to draw some logical and possible conclusion about the phenomenon.

Photo captions: (left): "It seemed to me as though part of Mt. Avila had fallen down, but this morning I see that the Avila looks the same as ever", was what Francisco Leal told reporters about the mysterious aerial explosion. (centre): "We thought it was an earthquake", say Ligia, Maritza and Migelia, "but when we went out in the street we saw people running back and forth and pointing to the sky." (right): "I heard an explosion, and on going out in the garden I saw a sort of blinding blue light disappearing into the sky", declared Sra. Avelina del Pase. (bottom): Wednesday morning, a mysterious explosion was heard...(&c.) In this picture is shown the Escobar family, pointing to the part of the sky where the light slowly disappeared.

(Comment by ADM: The light seen moving off into space, and above all the apparent simultaneity of the noise with the greatest brightness of the light, argue against a bolide and suggest a shock noise produced by a luminous object flying at supersonic speed fairly near the ground (a few miles or less.)) The local character of the disturbance (if it really was so localised) also proves that the noise was generated at a low altitude.

On January 11, 1955, in Puerto Huarmey, a group of fishermen observed a strange phenomenon, which lasted 15-20 minutes. At sunrise, they saw in the southeast a strange ball of fire moving over the peaks of the mountain range, and radiating toward the little town luminous rays which produced intense heat. The strange thing (possibly it was an optical illusion) is that at one time this disc or ball of fire seemed to divide into three smaller ones of equal size, which again joined together into a single object. It then assumed a bluish-white colour and disappeared, forming a cloud of boiling gases, from which a rain of incandescent particles fell. No sound accompanied this phenomenon. The observers were greatly astonished, and the women were in tears; the church bell was rung. I commented on this event in a long article, suggesting that if this was a saucer, it is possible that it did not really disintegrate, but that the boiling gases and the shower of sparks were a consequence of a sudden vertical take-off. I do not know whether this hypothesis is actually true.

(Note by translator: If for "minutes" we read "seconds", this is a perfect description of the fall of a large bolide, or exploding meteor. The absence of sound is strange, but since the sound wave would arrive several minutes after the visible explosion, it is possible that it was heard, but not identified as the sound of the explosion.--ADM.)

Venezuela also has a history of sightings by airline pilots and other experienced observers. An orange light closed in on a Venezuelan airliner at 6:45 p.m., January 2, 1955, in the vicinity of Punta San Juan. When the UFO was at close range, a bright light from it shone into the cockpit of the plane intermittently. [28]

A month later, February 2, an Aeropost Airlines plane was bound for Merida from Maiquetia. At the controls was Capt. Dario Celis; co-pilot was B.J. Cortes. About 11:15 a.m., a round, glowing green "apparatus" approached the plane, rotating counter-clockwise. Around its center was a reddish ring which emitted flashes of brilliant light. Above and below the ring, markings like portholes were visible. Capt. Celis banked his plane toward the UFO. Instantly, the object whirled downward, levelled off, and sped away. During the sighting, Capt. Celis attempted to report the object by radio, but his communication was cut off. [29]

On the morning of January 12, 1955, a strange aircraft with the characteristics of a saucer manoeuvered for three hours in the sky of Talara, in the north of Peru. The witnesses say the object had a cabin, in which they believed there must be a crew; but I don't know whether this statement can be trusted, since the object was at an altitude of 20,000 feet. It was flying in the direction of the "Capitán Montes" military air base, and was observed from the CORPAC airport and from the El Tablazo military bases. A plane was sent up from Talara Base, but the object rose still higher, and disappeared upward. At the airport it was observed by numerous witnesses, among them the mayor of Tumbes.

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(HCJB Quito) Peru, Jan. 17, 1955—A flying-saucer appeared yesterday over Talara and escaped the pursuit of a Peruvian plane. A Peruvian astronomer says there is no doubt that there is a flying saucer base to the northeast of Peru.

Mysterious Blast In New Zealand

AUCKLAND, N. Z., Feb. 1 (AP)—A mysterious explosion of terrific force shook the west coast of New Zealand's South Island today. A strange silver shape flashing overhead at the same time was reported.

Observers at widely-separated points described the object as cigar-shaped and emitting a bluish-white light and travelling at high speed. They said it lost altitude as it moved inland toward the Southern Alps.

The explosion was heard and felt in an area of several hundred square miles.

OBJECT HUNTED AT SEA

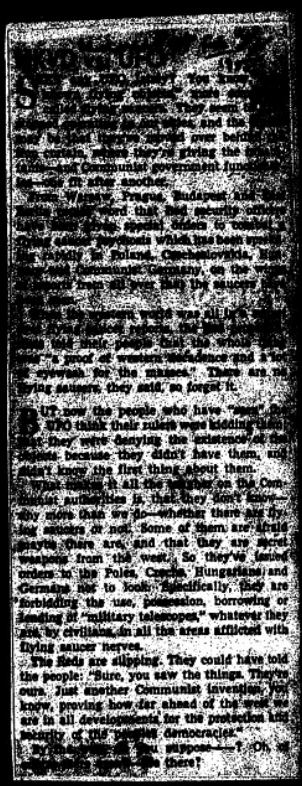
Mysterious 'Thing' Sighted in Search for Lost Yacht

HAMILTON, Bermuda, Feb. 20 (AP)—Planes began a search today for an "unidentified object" spotted on the sea 600 miles southeast of Bermuda during the hunt for a missing schooner carrying Ward Wheelock, Philadelphia advertising executive, and six other persons.

The Coast Guard cutter Dunne also was sent to the scene. The Dunne is bringing to Bermuda eight survivors of a United States Military Air Transport Service C-54 that ditched last week in the Atlantic.

The unidentified object was spotted late yesterday by an Air Force B-29. The plane was having navigational difficulties at the time and was unable to find the object again. Coast Guard officials here said that they were doubtful the object had any connection with the schooner.

The sixty-foot schooner Home Sweet Home has been missing since Jan. 14 on a projected 1,200-mile voyage from Bermuda to Antigua in the British Leeward Islands. Aboard the schooner besides Mr. Wheelock were his wife, the former Mariedna Clay Borden; his son, Ian; Mr. and Mrs. J. Kent Wilding; Harry Darrell and Bill Powell.



On February 3, 1955, between the "La Vinda" and "Puagjanca" peaks of the western Andes, the topographer Clemente Huere, Chief of the Planning Office of the "Sindicato Minero Rio Pallanga S.A.", saw a luminous object which hovered for 38 seconds in the sky, and then disappeared in a vertical direction. It was of elliptical shape, and on its lower part he could see, between great flashes of light, a hollowed-out thing in the shape of an ellipse.

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, Feb. 9, 1955 (Reuters)--Melbourne Newspapers were overwhelmed by calls from people tonight who said they had seen a "flying poached egg."

One witness said: "It had a yellow core surrounded by a white xxxx edge--like a colossal poached egg. I heard a peculiar whining noises as it shot away to sea."

Denver Post, Feb. 4, 1955 - Editorial, MKVD vs UFO

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From Warsaw, Prague, Budapest and East Berlin come word that Red security officers have been given special orders to combat a fs psychosis which has been spreading rapidly in Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, and Communist Germany, on the wings of reports from all over that the ss have been seen.

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"Communist authorities are forbidding the use, possession, borrowing or lending of "military telescopes," whatever they are, by civilians, in all the areas afflicted with fs nerves.

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IN PACHUCA A FLYING SAUCER WAS SIGHTED.

EXCLUSIVELY FOR "LA PRENSA." #949

PACHUCA, Hidalgo, Mexico February 4, 1955. — In the sky over Pachuca there appeared this morning a flying saucer of great luminosity making a strange noise.

After rapidly coming down close to earth the "visitor" stopped for a few brief seconds and then took off again. This occurred about eight thirty-five in the morning.

The strange flying saucer was observed by means of a theodolite by people working in the Office of Chartography of the National Defense in the Cuauhtémoc street of this city, amongst them was Lieutenant Victor Manuel Yañez Madrid. It was also seen by various scientists from Brazil and North America who were paying a visit to said Office of Chartography to see the work being done there.

fué Vista un Platicolo

Exclusivo para LA PRENSA.

PACHUCA, Hgo., febrero 4.—Sobre el cielo pachuqueño apareció esta mañana un platillo volador, de gran luminosidad y acompañado de un ruído extraño.

Después de acercarse a la tierra velozmente, el "visitante" se inmovilizó durante breves segundos, para finalmente alejarse. Esto ocurrió hacia las 8 horas y treinta cinco minutos de la mañana.

El extraño platicolo fué observado con un teodolito por personas que trabajan en la oficina de cartografía de la Defensa Nacional, ubicada en la calle de Cuauhtémoc de esta ciudad, entre ellas está el teniente Víctor Manuel Yáñez Madrid. También lo vieron varios hombres de ciencia del Brasil y norteamericanos que estuvieron de

OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION OF FLYING SAUCERS

REMAINS OF A SHIP HAVE BEEN EXAMINED

LONDON, May 23, 1955 (INS)

The ~~Ministry~~ mystery of Flying Saucers is expecting world-wide response to the information they have released, that the scientific and aeronautic authorities of Great Britain, -after having examined the remains of a mysterious airship of conventional form- have come to the conclusion that these strange flying objects do not represent optical illusions, nor are they Soviet inventions, but that we have to deal with objects that really fly and that originate from some other planet.

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This sensational information was submitted by a British official to Dorothy Kilgallen, correspondent of International News Service in London. He asked that his name be not revealed.

The official told the representative of INS that: "Judging from the investigations made up to the moment, we believe that the saucers carry diminutive navigators, about 1.20 metres tall. It is embarrassing to admit it, but these flying saucers come from some other planet." He added that an airship of this type could not in any way have been constructed on Earth.

It is known that the British Government is preparing some information regarding the examination made of the remains of what is assumed to be a flying saucer but they are not making it public in order not to alarm the public.

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Oficial Sobre los Platillos

Restes de una Nave han Sido Examinados 1955

LONDRES, mayo 23. (INS)—El misterio de los platillos voladores volvió a cobrar resonancia mundial, al informarse que las autoridades científicas y aeronáuticas de la Gran Bretaña, después de examinar los restos de una misteriosa aeronave de forma convencional, resolvieron que es tos singulares objetos volante

británico, quien pidió que no revelara su nombre, a Dorot Kilgallen, corresponsal de Inte nacional News Service en Lo dres.

El funcionario le dijo a la re presentante de INS: "A juzgar por las investigaciones realizadas hasta el momento, creemos qu los platillos llevan tripulantes di minutos, quizás de 1.20 metros de estatura. Es aterrador admitir lo, pero esos platillos voladores vienen de algún otro planeta" Agregó que una nave aérea d esta clase no podría ser construi da, de ninguna manera, en la Tie rra.

Sábase que el Gobierno britá nico prepara un informe sobre e examen hecho de los restos de

Green-Tailed Thing' Scares The British

London, March 25 (Reuters)—Thousands of people all over Britain were alarmed last night by a "fiery red object with a green tail" which hurtled through dark skies over the country.

Pilots of a flight of RAF jet fighters spotted the thing when they were 20,000 feet up and gave chase at more than 500 miles an hour. But it vanished before their eyes in a burst of flame.

In London, the Air Force and newspaper offices were deluged with a flood of phone calls.

Meteorlogical experts decided that the blazing object which mystified the nation was a huge meteorite which blew up 200 miles above Wales as it entered the earth's atmosphere from outer space.

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Martian Mayhem? Post 4/4/55

Manila, April 4 (AP)—The Daily Mirror today reported the Philippines had a death "attributable to a flying saucer." It said Angel Lamer was killed when he came to blows with Maxim Lamer in a dispute over flying saucers.

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Case 58, Rome, Italy, Feb. 13, 1955) A Belgian Airliner carrying 29 persons (four Americans) vanished a few minutes after radioing Rome's Ciampino Airport that it was preparing for a routine landing. According to radio station KGO (Frisco) the pilot had radioed seeing a "fireball" in the sky. Next day station KCBS said the missing airliner first reported "flight OK" but four minutes later had started sending another message -- which broke off suddenly -- NO mention of contents! Later the same day ABC & NBC networks (in Frisco) told of the search operations but kept MUM on the UFO. Significant and sinister, on Feb. 14, the French African shortwave station in Brazzaville reported the search for the airliner and added that due to the mysterious "orange spot in the sky" the departure of the Italian Prime Minister and Foreign Minister (in another flight, from Rome for London) had been delayed!

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Report Of An Observation At Zürich

Witness: Fritz Zangger, Nidelbadstrasse 9, Zürich 2/38 (Wollishofen); his wife and Miss Erna Gut, same address; date, time: 28Apr55, 9:53 PM; location: Am Domizil der Zeugen, two balconies on the third floor; weather: clear, few clouds, many stars visible, no wind; number of objects sighted: one; shape: round while stationary or in motion; direction of obj. from observer: N; color: yellowish; change of color observed: possibly; altitude: unknown; apparent size: as that of well visible star; elevation: 80deg approx.; time observed: 15min,approx.; speed: at times much faster than known aircraft; general description by first witness:

I saw an airplane move from Mt.Zürich toward Mt.Uetli, approx. direction of flight NE to SW, with common red-green navigation lights. (As I ascertained the following day from Kloten airfield it was a private(sports) craft.) As it reached the corner of the house which limits my field of vision to the left, a fast-flying light of the size of a star appeared there, travelling in the opposite direction of the plane, at an elevation of about 80 degs. I thought of a meteor at first but the light stopped suddenly after traversing horizontally a distance equal to the length of a finger held at arm's length. After a few moments the light retraced itself at original speed, but stopped before reaching the corner of the house.

I called my wife and both of us observed the light perform peculiar zig-zag motions. Several times it moved back and forth horizontally and also sloping up and down, always along its original path, mostly slower than when first observed but at times in sudden bursts of speed. Often, in its motion, it appeared to undulate. Time and again, while hovering, the object appeared to lose altitude. The periods of rest may have been ten or 15 seconds. After about three minutes I phoned the police to call their attention to the capers in the sky. I gave my name and was asked to remain on the line which I declined as I wished to continue my observation. During the call my wife continued to see similar motions of the object. She rang the bell of our neighbor, Miss Gut, who now began to watch the phenomenon from the balcony of her flat. Together we observed for some time until about 10:05 or 10:10 PM. As it was quite cool the ladies returned to the flat.

After a few moments I noticed the object starting into a curve, remaining, however, on the previous path of about a finger's length at its original speed. Then it began to circle, wide at first, decreasing the circle's diameter and spiralling upward at increasing speed and finally it disappeared like caught in an invisible, inverted whirlpool. While spiralling the object gave off sparks as a knife on a grindstone and, if I am not mistaken, it changed colors several times into light blue and green. This entire final phase lasted no more than ten or 15 seconds.

The following day, as mentioned above, I contacted Kloten airport: they had observed nothing unusual. Question of the interviewer: could it have been a reflection? A: No. Q: Was it possibly a helicopter? A: Certainly not! No known aircraft can perform in such manner.

Zürich, 27May1955: (signed by the three witnesses and the interviewer, Heinrich Ragaz, member Association Mondiale Interplanétaire AMI)

El Universal (Caracas, Venezuela), May 30, 1955:

SQUADRON OF 5 FLYING SAUCERS SEEN AT PISCO

Lima, May 29 (UP.)--Eight persons, among them a pilot, a radio operator, and a meteorologist, saw a squadron of 5 flying saucers maneuvering for 2 hours over the airport of Pisco, 270 miles south of Lima.

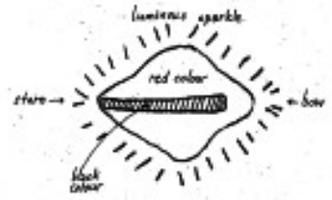
Airport personnel peered at the supposed flying saucers through a theodolite. Luciano Lino Cardenas, the meteorologist who was using the theodolite, he noticed the flying saucers while following the ascension of a weather balloon he had launched. According to his story, he saw in the sky diamond-shaped machines whose edges were of a decided red colour and which bore in the middle, toward the rear, a black-coloured rectangle, while the rest of the surface gave off a very bright white light. The mysterious aircraps were describing circles above the airfield, at an altitude of 3300 meters (10,800 feets, two miles.) Their manoeuvers were observed by other employees and workers at the airport and also by a pilot of the Peruvian Air Force, who had stopped at Pisco airport to take on fuel. According to the information received from Peiaro, the pilot said he observed the strange manoeuvers, and that he could not acknowledge the aircraft as a product of earthly manufacture.

On May 27, 1955, over the CORPAC airport at Pisco, five saucers were watched through a theodolite for two hours. They performed the most fantastic manoeuvers, stopping suddenly, turning at right angles, reversing, etc. Eight persons observed them with the theodolite, including an official of the Peruvian Air Force. The meteorologist of the airport, Sr. Luciano Lino Cardenas, was the first to see the saucers, and was watching them during most of the time they were visible. He sent me the sketch reproduced below. He said that the five objects were all alike, and gave as his opinion that they were vessels from another planet.

Of course these examples do not exhaust the flying saucer observations made in Peru, but I am not able to give you all of them. However, among these there should be several that would be of interest for the Newsletter.

Sincerely,

Alejandro de la Jara



Near London, England, May 25 (or 26), 1955

CIGAR-LIKE OBJECT SEEN IN SKY BY PORTUGUESE AIRMEN

London, May 26 (A.A.P.-Reuters)—The crew of a Portuguese Air Lines Skymaster claimed when they landed in London from Lisbon that they saw a "long, cigar-like object without wings traveling at terrific speed" as they approached London.

Radio officer Jose Almeida said he saw the object from the flight deck.

"It was long and slim and seemed to be revolving as it flashed under the nose of the aircraft," he said. "It looked as if it was made of aluminum."

The aircraft's flight engineer, Jose Silva, said: "The object seemed to approach from the port side and pass right under the nose.

"To me it looked like a silver cigar. There was no smoke coming from it."

The plane was flying at between 5,000 and 6,000 feet at the time.

A British Air Ministry spokesman said that, in the past, 95 per cent of similar reports could be attributed to some ordinary object, such as airborne meteorlogical equipment.

The report, he said, would be investigated.

Pisco, Peru
May 29, 1955

Eight persons watched a formation of 5 UFOs circle above Pisco Airport for 2 hours. Luciano Cardenas, meteorologist, was tracking a balloon with a theodolite when he saw the objects. They were rhomboid in shape with bright borders & they emitted a brilliant white light. Toward the rear, in their centers, were rectangular marks. The objects manuevered in circles at an estimated altitude of about 3300 meters (10,800 feet). The other airport observers also watched them thru the theodolite. Coming in to refuel his plane, a Peruvian AF pilot saw the odd formation & said he could not identify the things as any product of the aviation industry on earth.

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Boys say it was a saucer

By a Staff Reporter

About 5 p.m. yesterday a small boy playing football on Edwardstown Oval pointed to the sky and cried "Look, a flying saucer."

The 20 other boys on the ground looked, and it WAS a flying saucer—at least, that's what they said when we visited Forbes School today to get their account of the incident.

There was great excitement in Grade 6 at the school this morning.

After much sorting-out, it was finally determined that Desmond Mueller, 11, of Raglan street Harcourt Gardens, had seen the object first.

He said it had been about 500 ft. in the air, over to the east.

"It was round and had a dome in the middle. It seemed to be circling," he said.

"Grey color"

Ronald Weaver, 12, of Marion road, Harcourt Gardens, said they had watched the "saucer" for about five minutes.

Describing it to the class with his hands Ronald said the "saucer" seemed to float up behind clouds.

"It was a sort of grey color," he added.

Twelve - year - old Philip Power, of Stewart road, Harcourt Gardens, said the object was [illegible] (left) and [illegible] to draw the "saucer as she appeared." ABOVE: Ron Weaver describes to the class what he saw.

road, Harcourt Gardens, drew an illustration of the object on the blackboard to the accompaniment of shouted comments and advice from the class.

Meteorologists at Adelaide Airport said this morning that they had sent up a large weather balloon about 1.30 p.m. yesterday, but that would have been well out of view by 5 p.m.—the time the boys saw the object.

Boys' Report Of Sky Object

[illegible] Weaver, 12, of Marion road, Harcourt Gardens, and Philip Power, 12, of Stewart road, Harcourt Gardens, said the object was [illegible]

We drove to Les Ambassadeurs, where Desmond Leslie, author of "Flying Saucers Have Landed," tried to tell Welles about the visitors from Mars. "Spaceships are described in the Bible—Ezekial, Chapter 9," he said. "They speak English—from tuning in our radio. No, they couldn't be from another nation. If a country had that many, we'd have seen it in their foreign policy." Then we went to the Milroy, the Embassy and the Savoy, to end the London night.

NY Post 3/7/55

Un disco volante sorvola il Polesine

Rovigo, 8 luglio

Un disco volante avrebbe tentato di atterrare nella campagna di Badia Polesine, poi avrebbe ripreso quota scomparendo a grande velocità in direzione dell'Adige. Così hanno dichiarato due giovani, Arrigo Munerato e Bruno Baccaglini di Lendinara.

Mentre si [illegible] recavano sul luogo [illegible] stradale Badia-Correggioli [illegible] scorgevano, alto nel cielo, una strana macchina volante che puntava decisamente verso la quale erano poco distanti dalla strada. Immediatamente [illegible] non inforcavano il ciclomotore dirigendosi verso il luogo del probabile atterraggio.

Dopo una breve sosta, il «disco», riprendeva rapidamente quota e si allontanava.

Gazzetta del Popolo (Rome)
Sat., July 9, 1955

FLYING DISC OVER THE POLESINE REGION

Rovigo [in northern Italy between Padua & Ferrara], July 8. --A flying disc reportedly tried to land in the Badia Polesine countryside, then rose again, disappearing at high speed in the direction of the Adige River. This was reported by two youths of Lendinara [9 miles W of Rovigo; south of the Adige], Arrigo Munerato & Bruno Baccaglini. According to their story, they were working along the new Badia-Correggioli highway when they noticed, high in the sky, a strange flying machine which was heading decisively for the grassy area a short distance from the road. They immediately mounted their motorcycle and headed for the place of the probable landing. After a short time, the "disc" suddenly regained altitude and went away.

Translation of item from La Nazione, Florence, August 11, 1955. (Source: Thayaht.)

FLYING DISC SEEN IN VALSUGANA Trento, Aug. 10.--A few minutes before 7 P.M., a flying disc, whose size was described as half that of the full moon, was seen by various persons in the sky of Pergine, Valsugana. The disc, of a silver-green colour, was travelling from east to west at high speed, at an altitude of approximately 4000 meters (2 1/2 miles.) At one point the bolide suddenly stopped, and remained motionless. Then, after several oscillations, during which it exhibited changing colours, it resumed its course, disappearing in the direction of Trento.

The disc remained in view from Pergine for two minutes all told. Among those who observed it with care are a lady from Milan and a twelve-year-old boy.

(Trento is in the north centre part of Italy, on the south side of the Alps, between Verona and Bolzano. Thayaht comments: "Lately several other sightings in Sicily and other parts of Italy have been reported by local papers, and sometimes by all the papers."--ADM.)

The most prominent UFO organization in New Zealand is Civilian Saucer Investigation headed by Harold H. Fulton, a Sergeant in the Royal New Zealand Air Force. Mr. Fulton is now a NICAP Adviser. C.S.I. publishes a bulletin named "Space Probe," however, it has recently been suspended while Mr. Fulton has been on a tour of active duty with the RNZAF. Over the years, Mr. Fulton has contributed dozens of good cases to NICAP and actively publicized serious UFO evidence in his country.

A National New Zealand Airlines plane was enroute to Auckland, N.Z., from Wellington on the night of October 31, 1955. At the controls was Capt. W. T. Rainbow. The co-pilot was S. G. Trounce. A bright object, changing color repeatedly, came from behind the plane on a parallel course, flew alongside, passed the plane and disappeared in the distance. Capt. Rainbow estimated the UFOs' speed at about 850 mph. The strange object, unlike any aircraft, pulsated in colors of red, yellow, orange, and blue.

'Flying Bottle' Tested At Secret Soviet Base

N.Y. POST 10-4-58

By the United Press.

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A Big Wind.

Fire appeared to be shooting out of the top and from the bottom and there was a big wind which officials took to be the downward thrust of air at high speed. The craft had a blue band around the middle and port holes, the witnesses said.

The aircraft was seen twice. Each time it apparently took off from the Russian field, flew along the corridor at a low altitude, hovered, went up and down, and then sped away to the North.

Afghan experts were reported baffled by the description of flame shooting from the top of the plane but could not shake eyewitnesses on this point.

Top of the World.

The tests of the new Soviet plane were reported taking place in the region known as the top of the world—an area of vast deserts surrounded by almost impenetrable mountain ranges of the Himalayas. This was believed to be the site of much secret work including atomic tests.

The Afghan corridor, where the craft was reported seen, juts westward for some 200 miles. Russia is to the north and Pakistan and Kashmir to the south.

Apparently, the flights of the Soviet plane originated from the large secret Russian airfield known to be across the Oxus River from the Afghan town of Wakhan, itself in the 50-mile-wide corridor. Travel is prohibited except for Afghans.

Flying Discs Real Thing to RAF Chief

N.Y. POST 10-4-58

West Hoathly, England, Oct. 4 (AP)—Air Chief Marshal Lord Dowding, 73, says he believes there are flying saucers from other planets, though he has never seen one.

The wartime boss of the British Royal Air Force fighter command, a prominent spiritualist, declared in a lecture Sunday "the evidence is overwhelming."

He added, however, he doesn't expect flying saucer operators to land and tell their secrets to earthmen "until we have learned better manners."

Russia Testing 'Flying Saucer'

KABUL, Afghanistan, Oct. 3 (UP)—The Russians are testing a revolutionary, bottle-shaped aircraft apparently similar to the new U.S. "flying platform" at a hush-hush air base bordering Red China and Afghanistan, eyewitnesses said today.

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MORE THAN 1,000 residents of the Afghan "corridor" have seen the strange craft, that looks something like a flying saucer, in actual flight along the desolate strip of land connecting the three countries and Pakistan to the south.

Travel in the corridor is prohibited except for residents and Afghan officials. Reports of a Russian flying saucer began reaching the northeast Afghanistan town of Faizabad about three weeks ago, and the reports swelled in numbers.

The descriptions of eyewitnesses was almost identical.

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THE PLANE was shaped like a neckless bottle, about 20 feet high, with pins extending down from the bottom.

It was perhaps 10 to 15 feet in diameter. Fire appeared to be shooting out of the top and bottom and there was a "big wind," according to the eyewitnesses.

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NAZIONE SERA

FIRENZE

Mercoledì 26 ottobre 1955

Ritornano i dischi volanti nel cielo fiorentino

Questa volta sono a colori

Ritornano i dischi volanti? Sembrerebbe di sì a giudicare da una telefonata che abbiamo ricevuto stamani poco prima delle ore 13. Era stata l'apparecchio la signora Bonini, abitante nella zona del Campo di Marte, la quale alle 12.55 è stata avvertita da un'amica di affacciarsi alla finestra perchè «in cielo c'era qualcosa di strano».

La signora Bonini è corsa a prendere un binocolo e quindi si è recata sulla sua terrazza dalla quale ha potuto osservare benissimo uno strano ordigno a forma di sigaro che solcava il cielo in direzione di Fiesole. L'ordigno era a forma di sigaro e veramente colorato: verdastro in cima, granciato al centro, rossastro in fondo. La signora ha visto il «disco» a occhio nudo. La visione è durata pochi istanti. Naturalmente le due donne non sono sicure che si trattasse di un disco, hanno visto qualcosa di strano e l'hanno segnalato. Ma niente impedisce di credere che potesse trattarsi, più semplicemente, di un pallone sonda a grande altezza.

Alle 13 un'altra telefonata questa volta di un dottore abitante in via Arnolfo, ci ha comunicato l'apparizione [illegible] un altro «disco» [illegible] però di forma diversa [illegible] segnalato dalla signora del Campo di Marte si trattava di un punto fortemente luminoso, alto nel cielo, a forma di stella, bianco brillante. Sotto il primo [illegible] un secondo punto [illegible] una punta [illegible] di [illegible] intensità luminosa. I due oggetti [illegible] notati anche da altre persone che si trovavano nella strada e sono rimasti un bel pezzo a naso in su per non perdere lo spettacolo [illegible] altre eventuali e straordinarie apparizioni — si sono allontanati in direzione di Rovezzano.

La Nazione Sera (Florence, Italy), Oct. 26, 1955.

THE FLYING DISCS ARE BACK

This Time They're Coloured

Are the flying discs coming back? It would seem so, to judge by a telephone call we received this morning a little before 1 P.M. The caller was Signora Bonini, who lives in the Campo di Marte zone, and who was notified by a friend at 12:55 to look out the window because "there is something strange in the sky."

Sra. Bonini ran to fetch binoculars, then went out on her terrace, from which she was indeed able to observe a strange construction shaped like a cigar, which was crossing the sky in the direction of Fiesole (toward the NE). The construction was cigar-shaped and varicolored: greenish on top, orange in the middle, and reddish at the bottom. The lady was also able to see the "disc" with the naked eye. It was observed only for a few seconds. Naturally, the two ladies are not certain that this was a real saucer; but they saw something strange, and reported it. (But there is nothing to prevent one from believing that it may simply have been a weather balloon at high altitude.)

At 1 P.M. came another call, this time from a doctor living in the Arnolfo road, who reported the appearance of another "flying saucer", but of a different form from the one described by the Campo di Marte lady: this was a strongly luminous point, high in the sky, like a brilliant white star. Beneath this first presumed "flying disc" was seen another point, smaller, but of equal luminosity. The two shining objects--observed also by other persons in the street, who remained quite a while nose in air so as not to miss any other extraordinary apparitions--went off in the direction of Rovezzano.

MEDITERRANEAN SEA

Second Officer Avraham Ariel of the Israeli M. V. Yehuda, Capt. B. Berkovitz, Master, reported observing unusual refraction off the north coast of Africa on January 16, 1956 at 1000 GMT. In lat 37°25' N., long. 09°10' W., the image of a vessel about 6 miles distant bearing about 300° was observed for about an hour, upside down above the vessel. At time of observation the wind was dead calm, sea glassy, sky clear, barometer 30.06 inches, air temperature 66° F., sea temperature 63° F., relative humidity 74 percent.

On the following night with conditions approximately the same except for light wind from the southwest, lights along the coast and ships were observed at exceptionally great distances.

N. M. 7/56

Saturday, April 6 1957

Saucer Reported Seeing Flying Saucer

Odd object seen in sky

Daily Mirror Sat. Nov. 5, 1955

MRS. BINNS

"It was a cruising object and it was definitely not a star," she said.

Police scanned the sky with searchlights and the Binns' neighbors said the object appeared to hover over the area.

Binns spoke to the police and said his baby would wake if he was to see it, they could sight the object.

"When I went outside again, the motor driver was gone, the object—its glare, the size of his car, and it had moved," Mrs. Binns said.

It disappeared at 3:25 a.m."

Mrs. Binns said she had not been scared, but excited.

She said she had gone outside because she had been awakened at 3 a.m. by a motorist continually blowing his horn near her flat.

Mascot air control and the R.A.A.F. today could not account for what Mrs. Binns claims she saw.

FOOTNOTE: Last month the U.S. Air Force reported that after eight years' investigation, its experts were satisfied flying saucers did not exist. About 5000 reports had been investigated.

¿Un "meteoro" sobre Francia y Holanda...?

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 18. (U. P.)— Desde varias partes del país se han recibido informaciones acerca de una "enorme luz" que se mueve por el firmamento en dirección este.

Los testigos del fenómeno lo describen como una "luz misteriosa", "una bola de fuego", una "estrella fugaz" y "un meteoro".

PARIS, Nov. 18. (UP)— El director del Observatorio de París, Pierre Danjon, declaró hoy que indudablemente el "plato volador" que se afirma recorría el cielo de Francia ayer, no es más que un meteoro.

"Pero qué meteoro —declaró Danjon— es sin duda el más magnífico aerolito que he visto jamás en mi carrera.

"Era de un maravilloso color verde esmeralda y extremadamente brillante. Su intensa luminosidad —mucho más brillante que la luna— prueba que es bastante grande, más o menos del tamaño de un huevo de paloma"

17-11-55 La Prensa (NYC)

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LONDON, NOV. 24--(INS)--THE BRITISH AIR MINISTRY WAS DELUGED WITH TELEPHONE CALLS TONIGHT FROM PERSONS WHO CLAIM THEY SAW "LUMINOUS OBJECTS" STREAK THROUGH THE SKY OVER LONDON.

A NUMBER OF POLICEMEN ALSO WERE REPORTED TO HAVE WITNESSED THE APPEARANCE OF THE "FLYING SAUCERS" IN THE VICINITY OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT.

THE AIR MINISTRY OFFERED NO COMMENT REGARDING THE ALLEGED SAUCER SIGHTINGS.

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THE MONTREAL STAR, THURSDAY, D[illegible]

Weather Men Doubt Story Of 'Saucer'

Canadian Press

INGERSOLL, Ont., Dec. 8 — Weather experts last night blew cold winds of doubt on "flying saucer" activity reported here.

Last Thursday the Clark family took photographs of a noiseless, circular, black object that moved high above them in a cloudy sky. After several minutes they reported the object moved off against the wind—from south to north — which would cancel out weather-balloon classification.

Yesterday weather experts said winds in the Ingersoll district were travelling from south to north that day and that the Clark family must have been mistaken.

They could, said the weather experts, have been near a building—the Clark family saw the object from just outside their home — and miscalculated the direction of the wind because some nearby structure deflected it.

The Clark family, comprising Mr. and Mrs. Huron Clark and their two teen-age sons, Floyd and George, had the film developed and the resulting photographs showed an oval-shaped ring with a seemingly-transparent centre.

Phones Buzz Over London 'Saucers'

LONDON, Nov. 25 (INS). — The Air Ministry was deluged with telephone calls last night from persons who claim they saw "luminous objects" streak through the sky over London. Several policemen also reported they saw "flying saucers" in the vicinity of the Thames embankment. The Ministry had no comment.

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Chief Officer De Rouckg of the Belgian M. V. *Belgian Gulf*, Captain E. Sart, Master, reported that at 0031 GMT on December 22, 1955, in lat. 31°45' N., long. 64°40' W., a bright flashing light appeared northward of the vessel which was apparently caused by a large meteor.

The bright light moved in a west northwestward direction and disappeared quickly, leaving a wavy trail of sufficient duration to enable a compass bearing and a sextant altitude to be taken. The observations indicated a bearing of 005°, and a height of about 23°.

The sky was partly cloudy with a clear atmosphere.

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NORTH ATLANTIC

Junior Third Officer Juan Luis Alfaro of the American S. S. Jura, Captain W. W. Cable, Master, reported that at 0118 GMT on December 8, 1953, in lat. 45°00' N., long. 42°00' W., during a passage from New York to Bremerhaven, Germany, a brilliant meteor was observed.

The tortoise exploded at an altitude of about 45°, eastward of the constellation Cassiopeia. A tremendous flash illuminated the area that made the horizon clearly visible all around the vessel for a period of about 3 seconds.

Wind, N by E, force 4; sky, cloudy, with some cumulus clouds in the northern quadrant; sea, rough, NNE; air temperature, 30° F.; sea temperature, 62° F.; relative humidity, 80%.

N. M. 2/54.

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1898. A Navy R7V-2 Super Constellation, approaching Gander, Newfoundland, on its way from the other side of the Atlantic, carried its regular crew, the relief crew and two other crews being returned home from foreign duty -- almost 30 airmen in all. The senior pilot, a Commander, spotted a cluster of lights below and an estimated 25 miles ahead; this was confirmed by the co-pilot, navigator, radioman, and several others called to the cockpit for the purpose. As the pilot banked to give them a better look, the lights dimmed and several colored rings appeared and began to spread out. At this point, the Commander realized the lights were not on the ocean surface, but climbing toward him. He levelled out and began a full-power climb, in an effort to avoid what by this time looked like a giant disc. Just before the impact was due, the disc tilted, slowed and went by the transport's wing. As the Navy pilot began a bank, he saw the disc was flying alongside, about 100 yards away. He estimated its diameter as 3-4 times his plane's wingspan [250-300 feet] and thickness as at least 30 feet at the center. It looked like one dish atop another. Gradually the object pulled away then tilted upward, accelerated and was lost to sight among the stars. After it left, the pilot contacted Gander by radio and was informed they had watched both his aircraft and the other object on radar, but were unable to get a radio reply from the other "aircraft."

[Report negated by Rear Adm. Delmar S. Fahrney USN, Ret.]

Belgian Finds Astral Body

NY TMS: 1-9-58

Afghans Sight Flying Saucers

[New Delhi, Jan. 27 (Reuters)

"Flying saucers"—have been spotted daily over various parts of Afghanistan, the Afghan Embassy here announced today.

The announcement said flying saucers had been seen over Herat, 93 miles from the Soviet and Iranian borders, and at several other places.

'Mystery' Plane Circles Japan City

TOKYO, Feb. 9 (1954). — The newspaper Yomiuri reported today that an unidentified aircraft, presumably Russian, flew over a Northern Japanese city Wednesday. The plane circled the city. Twice during the early morning before flying north.

"FLYING SAUCER" FOUND

A "flying saucer" sighted over Western Afghanistan fell to the ground and was found to be made of zinc and to have had some sort of gas, the Afghan Embassy announced in New Delhi today. The "saucer" was about 6ft. long and had lights on all sides.

The Star, Johannesburg
S. Africa.
Tuesday 2nd Feb 1954.

Jan. 18, 1956 — ..... Northern Echo (England)

2 Scarborough British Railways carriage cleaners, R. Reynolds, 42, & W. Dolan, 51, said yest. that on Mon. night they saw 2 fl. saucers in the sky over the former racecourse at Scarborough. "2 great red, shining objects which were definitely not meteors. They shot downwards & towards each other, banked, then turned away & shot upwards at a terrific speed heading west." He thought they were about 9 miles away. "I was in the RAF during the war; the objs we saw were definitely not aircraft."

NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1956

Or a Flying Saucer?

Mystery of Paris Sky: Flying Cognac Bottle?

By Frank Kelley

From the Herald Tribune Bureau

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PARIS, Feb. 20. — Several dozen experts are at work trying to find out what was going on above, near or at Orly Airport on the outskirts of Paris late Friday night when radar technicians said they sighted and watched for four hours on their screen a mysterious object twice the size of a four-engine airliner. They said the object hovered at 4,500 feet and at times put on jet-like bursts of speed up to 1,500 miles an hour.

Some say it may have been another one, or several, of those American meteorological balloons that the Russians are now objecting to, caught in an air pocket and occasionally whizzing about in the West-to-East air stream at high altitudes.

Kelly

Others believe that the Orly radar apparatus, which had an eight-week vacation during the technicians' strike last fall, may have gone awry through crossed wires, blurred waves, or just plain gremlins. The apparatus has been examined, however, and pronounced fit for normal civilian use.

Some were tempted to put it all down to a flying bottle of cognac. The military radar spotters near Orly saw nothing on their screens. The civilian radar spotters at Le Bourget Field, north of Paris, saw nothing on their screens. The French National Assembly was not in session at the time (11 p. m. Friday to 3 a. m. Saturday), so it could not have been a flying desk lid tossed in a riotous Assembly debate.

But the pilot of an Air France DC-3 freight plane, who had just taken off on a nightly round-trip to London from Orly and has to be firmly in command of his airship at all times, said tonight that, alerted by the Orly control tower, he had seen a winking red light in the Parisian sky.

The pilot, Michel Desavoye, thirty-six, has flown all over the world for Air France in the last five years. He said he left Orly at 11:55 p. m. for London last Friday.

"A few minutes after takeoff," he said, "the Orly control tower signaled me that an unidentified object appeared by radar to be heading for Orly on my route. My radio operator and I then saw a little to the right and about the same height a winking red fire. We were about 4,500 feet above Creteil (west of Paris).

"Hoping to avoid the obstacle I changed course. The light disappeared abruptly. I regained my original route and the Orly radar announced that the 'machine' was then above me. But this time I saw nothing.

"I cannot explain this phenomenon, but I've never seen anything like it. All I can tell you is that it was not an airplane, because we would have seen its position-lights. It could not have been a light from land, as there was a fog-bank beneath us. The night was very black, and I could not see where this light came from. In any case, it seemed to be twice as large as the normal position lights of a plane."

During the week end the Orly apparatus was inspected thoroughly and nothing amiss was found, it was stated today. The twenty-one-foot parabolic reflector, atop a forty-five-foot tower, was functioning normally at its speed of six revolutions a minute.

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Mystery Object Seen in Paris Sky

PARIS, Feb. 18 (AP).—An unidentified flying object described as twice as large as an ordinary commercial air liner has been tracked on radar screens here, Orly Airport officials said today.

Traveling at an estimated 1,500 miles an hour, the object appeared over the Paris region late last evening and seemed to hover for a few moments before disappearing at high speed.

Syrians Say Bolt Felled Plane

DAMASCUS, Syria, Feb. 25 (AP)—Damascus airport officials today said a lightning bolt caused the crash of a Syrian Airways plane in which nineteen persons died near Aleppo yesterday. Officials said the lightning set the plane afire and it exploded.

N.Y. TIMES 2/26/56

AIR MYSTERY IN PARIS

Unidentified Object, on Radar, Flew at 1,500 M.P.H.

Special to The New York Times.

PARIS, Feb. 19—Aviation circles were speculating today on the identity of a strange object, alternately hovering and flying at speeds in excess of 1,500 miles an hour, picked up Friday night by radar operators at Orly International Airport.

The object made a "blip" on the radar screen approximately twice as large as that of the average airliner, according to technicians. It appeared to be at an altitude of about 5,000 feet and was seen to follow aircraft taking off or coming in for a landing at Orly.

A radio beacon station southwest of Paris also reported the object but neither the radar at Le Bourget Airport nor the Paris Observatory reported contact. A spokesman at the observatory suggested that it might have been a United States weather balloon launched in Germany and blown west by the "jet stream" air currents.

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L'EXPRESS. — Lundi 20 février 1956 3

Un mystérieux engin dans le ciel de Paris

repéré par le radar d'Orly

PARIS

Un engin mystérieux, deux fois plus gros que le plus puissant avion de transport, a été détecté durant quatre heures dans la nuit de vendredi à samedi par le radar d'Orly.

A la suite de cette apparition, des consignes de discrétion extrêmement rigoureuses ont été données au personnel de l'aérodrome. On a parlé naturellement de soucoupe volante, mais les spécialistes n'y croient pas, aucun engin de ce genre n'ayant jamais été officiellement observé par des astronomes.

Il s'agit soit d'un appareil secret d'observation, soit d'une image parasite, due à des interférences inconnues, comparables dans leurs effets aux parasites acoustiques qui contrarient les émissions radiophoniques.

2.400 km. à l'heure

C'est à 22 h. 40 qu'un agent de la navigation aérienne d'Orly remarque sur son écran ce point anormal.

Il se déplaçait à une vitesse de 2.500 km.-heure, qui s'accrut même jusqu'à 3.600 km.-heure. La « tâche » alla à la rencontre de l'avion d'Air France Paris-Londres. Son déplacement n'était aucunement gêné dans le trafic aérien nocturne civil ou militaire.

Des appels par radio lui furent adressés en plusieurs langues. Il n'y répondit pas. Ce silence peut s'expliquer d'ailleurs par le fait que l'engin ne possédait peut-être pas d'instrument d'écoute branché sur les fréquences d'Orly.

Il changea plusieurs fois de direction. Il s'immobilisa, puis repartit. Repéré à la verticale du radio-phare de Gometz-le-Châtel, près de Rambouillet, il survolait 30 secondes plus tard Bonnay-St-Léger. Il avait donc parcouru 30 kilomètres en 30 secondes. Sa vitesse était alors de 3.600 km.-heure.

Le radar du Bourget n'a rien vu

Les observateurs ont remarqué qu'il n'intervenait particulièrement aux atterrissages et aux décollages des autres avions. Il les suivait également au départ d'Orly et du Bourget.

Le radar du Bourget n'a d'ailleurs rien enregistré. Les services officiels font le plus grand mystère autour de cette apparition et gardent un silence complet. L'Observatoire de Paris n'a rien constaté dans le ciel.

Phantom Saucer Mystifies Paris

By the United Press.

PARIS, Feb. 21.—The French government sought today to solve the mystery of the Phantom of Orly, a gigantic flying-saucer-like object which whirled across the airport's radar screen at supersonic speed last Friday.

It was the third time in less than a year that the phantom has been chartered on radarscopes at the busy international airfield outside of Paris. The object was described as about twice the size of the largest known plane, moved at times at an estimated 2000 miles an hour, and hovered around the airport for about four hours.

The mystery was further compounded when a detailed check disclosed that the radar equipment was in excellent working condition.

An Air France pilot reported spotting flashing red lights in the area in which the radar placed the phantom after taking off for London.

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FEB 19 1956

Paris Is Up in The Air Over Flying Thing

(By Wireless to THE NEWS)

Paris, Feb. 18—A mysterious flying object—sometimes hovering motionless and sometimes traveling an estimated 1,500 miles per hour—was spotted by radar over Paris last night, officials said today.

The aerial whatisit was described as twice as large as any known airplane. It also showed red lights.

Recorded at 2 Fields

The object was recorded on radar screens for a few minutes around 11 P. M. at both Orly and Le Bourget Airfields, on opposite sides of Paris, airport officials said. It did not answer radio calls from the Orly Field tower.

An Air France pilot, heading from Paris to London at 5,000 feet, spotted the object's red lights above his plane before it disappeared.

At Orly Field, Paris, February 17, 1956, a UFO was tracked on radar and seen by an Air France pilot. "They [radarmen at Orly] said the object showed up on radar screens at an estimated speed of about 1700 mph., then hovered at various points over the capital." [46]

TRACKED

PARIS, Sun.—Officials at Orly Airport yesterday reported that an unidentified flying object had been tracked by radar.

They estimated the speed of the object which they tracked on Friday night, at 1700 miles an hour.

The officials said the object—twice the size of a normal commercial plane—moved at that speed in between hovering over Paris.

An Air France pilot on a flight to London also reported having seen an intermittent red flame several hundred feet above his plane.

Airport officials said they had no immediate explanation of the reports.

(From U.P. and A.A.P.-Reuter)

L.Y. TELEGRAPH FEBRUARY 20, 1956

Il avait en feu et [illegible] istrophe au [illegible]ment.

LE FIGARO — 21 FÉVRIER 1956

A PROPOS DE L'APPARITION DANS LE CIEL DE PARIS D'UN MYSTERIEUX ENGIN

" LE RADAR A FONCTIONNÉ NORMALEMENT " affirme-t-on à Orly

Nous avons relaté dans quelles circonstances les techniciens du radar d'Orly avaient constaté, dans la nuit de vendredi à samedi, la présence d'un engin mystérieux qui sillonna le ciel de Paris pendant quatre heures avant de disparaître.

Une information selon laquelle le radar qui repéra l'engin aurait été placé sous scellés a été démentie dans les milieux autorisés. Ceux-ci font remarquer que le radar constitue un système trop complexe et trop important pour être placé tout simplement sous scellés et qu'il serait insensé de mettre volontairement hors de service celui d'Orly dont le fonctionnement n'a accusé rien d'anormal.

Ils confirment, d'autre part, que le service de la navigation aérienne d'Orly avait alerté vers minuit les services de la défense antiaérienne du territoire.

Il y a donc lieu de se demander pourquoi le radar militaire de Meaux, qui aurait pu observer cet engin pendant près de quatre heures, n'est pas entré en action. S'il avait secondé celui d'Orly, le radar de Meaux aurait peut-être contribué dans une large mesure à éclaircir ce mystère.

excerpts from Weltraumbote No 7 June 1956

A clear day, 19March56, during parachute drops at Gablingen airfield near Augsburg, Germany, one Georg Schedel of Hardenbergstrasse 7 and Johann Schmid of Stellenhofen observed a glittering object at 2:17PM in the direction of the oncomming planes. Looked like a lump, clod or heap, the shape was difficult to describe, perhaps like a heavy marshall's staff with the centerportion removed. Hovered horizontally, slowly erected itself into vert. position. Hovered a few seconds then lightning-like went up and away. Dur. of observ. 10 to 12 secs. Schedel said to be well-travelled. Served on cruiser during war. (Join the Navy and see the world)

Mr. E.Merker and wife, Zürich-Affoltern, Bergacker 24 observed during clear weather on 1 April 56 from 10:35 to 11:05 PM a round to oval fire-red colored object size of quarter (US) held at arm's length. Moved up and down while making half-turns and gave off green and yellowish reflections, then again red ones. Object suddenly left on straight and climbing path, out of sight within 2 or 3 secs. (Watch those first April reports!)

Space Craft Over Russia On 14Feb55 official news about sky pheno. came to the West for the first time, as it seems, but was shortly thereafter interrupted unexplainably. It stated that several people in Moscow from various locations had observed a cigar-shaped craft at great altitude. It hovered and then disappeared. Soviet press warned about immagination and assured that this pheno., as well as others, are scientifically explainable as atmospheric conditions. (AFP) (what's AFP??)
Accto. a later Reuters report from Moscow the people's belief for space-travelling beings from another world had to be squashed by no less an authority than E.Krinov, secretary of commission for meteorite research, who called the reports lies. (Feuille d'Avis de Lausanne, 28May55)
(In Jimmy Guieu's Les Soucoupes Volantes etc we read that Prof. Liapunov declared officially in 1953 that the great "meteor" which crashed on 30 June 1908 in Siberia was nothing else but a huge space ship.)

In Germany and Austria runs here and there a film of half hour duration put together almost exclusively from original Ufo films. We are trying to get this film to Switzerland.

Some recent sightings over Switzerland:
"Neue Zürcher Zeitung" 31July54 object over Zürich (blamed later on toy-balloon)
"Die Tat" (Zürich) 16Aug54 full page article on saucers, one report by a lieut.col.sighting of 7Aug54
"Sie und ER" 16Sep54 five witness accounts, one from late Col.Eggenberger
"Der Bund" (Bern) 10Oct54 report by Dr.F.d.B., a serious eyewitness
"Die Woche" (Zürich) 28Nov54 observation at Payerne by 3 ack-ack companies
"Hobby" (Stuttgart) Nov54 detailed account by Hans Back of many saucers that appeared above Zürich, seen by many in daylight.

The South African German language saucer book recently published:
Edgar Sievers: Flying Saucer über Südafrika, 400 p.p.
Sagittarius-Verlag, Pretoria
(sh 26/-)

How about a call to a German book store?
I'll buy it ☺

A flying saucer that made a 90 degree change in its course was reported by L. Hayes of Belgravia, South Africa.

3/17/56

Flying Saucer Is Planet Venus

[illegible] planet Venus may be the [illegible]

According to a local astronomer, Venus is at its greatest brilliancy now, a phenomenon that occurs three times every 500 days.

Thursday Venus was right alongside the moon and both were visible.

The woman who reported the flying saucer described it as silver colored with red in front. She said she observed it about 6:15 p.m.

The astronomer said Venus would appear silver or gray colored during the day, but he couldn't account for the red.

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64 BOURNEMOUTH DAILY ECHO, Friday, April 6, 1956

That thing in the sky: 2 more see it

SPEED GREATER THAN 2,000 mph

"Echo" Staff Reporter

TWO more people report having seen the strange object in the night sky on Wednesday over the Bournemouth area.

The object, "a steady white light with a luminous tail," was first reported by two teachers at Poole. They were Mr. Eric Saunders, a lecturer of Slough, and his friend Mr. John Foster, of Penn Hill-avenue, Poole.

They are to report their observations to the Royal Astronomical Society.

Today Mr. R. S. Ashford, of Canford Magna-road, Canford Magna, said he happened quite by chance to go to his window at about 11.30 p.m. when he saw a "star-like rocket" overhead. It was flying from the he[illegible] disappeared towards the south.

"It was a splendid sight," he said.

GOOD VIEW

At the same time Mr. C. Williams, of the Hotel Esplanade, the Marina, Bascombe, had a good view of the object when he was near Bascombe Pier.

Mr. Williams noted it had an elongated red tail light. It was flying level and straight.

No sound came from the object. It was nothing like a shooting star and travelled much too fast for a plane.

Mr. Williams says he is sure its speed was far greater than the estimate of 2,000 miles an hour given by one of the teachers and reported in yesterday's "Echo."

Both say the object remained in sight for about seven seconds.

LA PRENSA, LUNES 20 DE AGOSTO DE 1956

Otro platillo: ¿ficción o realidad...?

BUENOS AIRES, Agosto 19, (UP).—Numerosas personas afirmaron haber visto esta madrugada un aparato terminado en dos esferas de intenso brillo rojizo, unidas por una especie de cono que despedía fulgores celestes y por momentos verdosos.

Quieto por instantes, el artefacto iniciaba a veces veloces corridas en el cielo.

La Prensa (NYC), Aug. 20, 1956

ANOTHER SAUCER: FICTION OR REALITY?

Buenos Aires, Aug. 19 (UP) Numerous persons declared that this morning they saw a craft ending in two spheres of intense reddish luminosity, connected by a sort of cone which emitted brilliant flashes of light and was at times greenish.

Although it was sometimes motionless, the construction at other times described rapid turns in the sky.

(It is possible that this was Venus--more data needed. ADM.)

Various and Sundry Saucery Received During The Past Week Or So. . . .

19 August 1956

First, the items enclosed herewith, which you will please return after perusal. N.Y.Times, three clippings, nothing of saucers. But the power failure in West Berlin is interesting inasmuch as it was atotal failure which is rare, indeed. The unhearing destroyers are interesting because it smells of "bending the beam" which has so often been blamed for aircraft mis-navigation. The book by Innes may just be a story; Knopf could tell you more about that.

The German items are all about the same sighting and were taken from the Braunschweiger Zeitung, ~~apparently from three successive issues, starting with the one dated July 17th~~ OF 16 JULY 1956. Translation follows:

Clipping 1

A strange object moved through the evening skies of Braunschweig Friday evening at 2035 hours, 13 July 1956. The brightly lit, fire-like object looked like a V-1 of the last war, left a vapor trail and raced from West to East. Its altitude was estimated at from 30,000 to 36,000 feet. The light suddenly went out and left a tiny, white cloud which increased in size and drifted away with the wind. Three or four minutes later, and quite clearly, a dull double detonation was heard.

Shortly after, 'phones began to ring in our offices. The first to report was a man from Lehndorf who observed the object at a 45 deg. altitude in the sky and thought it was a meteor. He thought it most impossible that it was a jet plane.

Members of the ambulance service saw the object from the Eiermarkt. (small square in B.) They were watching swallows as they saw the glow - the extremely bright glow - above themselves. They thought it to be a long distance rocket. The vicinity of the Gloria Theater in Wendestrasse had observers, also and from there came the question: flying saucers?

Immediately started inquiries disclosed that similar appearances had been seen from other West German cities in the past and that in each case a jet plane was to blame, breaking through the sound barrier.

A meteorlogical expert who observed the phenomenon is of the opinion that it was a meteor. Against this theory, however, stands the report from two witnesses who heard the double bang. The possibility of it having been a jet plane is discarded due to the very bright glow.

Clipping 2

The bright object that flew W to E over Braunschweig Friday night and suddenly dimmed out was not the only one of its kind. A similar object was observed three hours earlier, about 1700 hours from the upper Harz mountains.

This rocket-like object with bright fire-tail flew over the Harz at high altitude. It left, as above Braunschweig, a vapor trail. Observers saw the object flame up like lightening when it reached a point above but obviously beyond in the direction of the Brocken.(highest point of Harz Mtns.) It then fell with a widely heard detonation.

The trajectory of the mysterious object that moved at terrific speed was well observed by a number of reliable witnesses, among them a police official, despite the prevailing bright sunshine.

Experts meanwhile declared about the Braunschweig sighting that in all possibility it was a meteor that exploded at about 90,000 feet after having entered the earth's atmosphere.

This object was seen also at the same time (2035 hrs) above Helmstedt.(some 20 miles due east on border ~~EX~~ with East Germany) It travelled extraordinarily fast in an easterly direction."Exactly above Harbke it disappeared," said all observers without exception.

Clipping 3

Experts of the opinion object was a meteor. (probably)

To judge by the amount of calls we received, the fiery object over B. was the talk of the town well into the weekend.

Most observers corroborated the reports of the first witnesses: with bright glow the object flew over the town W to E, went out and a little later a sound as from a double detonation was heard. Although the object in flight had left a long vapor trail, after it "went out" or after the fiery head had disappeared, only a weaker "steam" trail, which evaporated quickly, indicated where the object had fallen to earth east or south-east of Braunschweig.

"By all signs it was a meteor," said Dr. Weidemann of the Physical-Technological Institute who had observed the object with professional interest. "From the time the object extinguished to the sound of detonation I measured three minutes. In regard to the angle of sight and the speed of sound I arrive at 30,000 meters altitude at which the sphere exploded. (Note the word sphere, trans.) This is ~~XXX~~ a normal altitude for meteor explosions."

(There now follows an explanation what meteors are, what causes them to explode, etc.) Then:

"The assumption that it was a meteorite is further amplified by the vapor trail behind the fiery object and the narrow steam trail behind the extinguished body," continued Dr. Weidemann. For in its flight through the atmosphere the surface of a meteorite is literally said to be "rubbed" into steam.

The first mentioned supposition that possibly a high-flying jet plane exploded, has not been strengthened by any developments. The police stations have no reports of any missing aircraft nor have they been asked to begin a search for one.

Against the theory that it might have been a jet plane speaks also the report of a very similar sighting from the Harz mountains. The duplicity of events causes one to reason that both objects were descendants of the same "rain of meteors." (my"", trans.) Otherwise, the possibility remains open that the objects were guided missiles or rockets that possibly left their prescribed paths.

* PLEASE RETURN THESE THREE GERMAN CLIPPINGS, ALSO.

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[redacted] sound was heard. They left behind short whitish trails. Mr. Otamo estimated [redacted] actual size as 35 to 50 meters (110 to 160 feet) and their altitude as 5000 to [redacted] meters (15,000 to 21,000 feet). The speed was calculated to be 5000 kilometers per hour (3000 miles). Otamo said that they seemed to be made of a reflecting plastic material. After the three UFOs had disappeared, he spotted two small objects against the sun's disc. One appeared to be revolving around the sun while the other was motionless to one side. After several seconds both objects shot away at very high speed, heading in the same direction in which the first three UFOs had gone. (UFO--Critical Bulletin, Vol. III, No. 1, January-February [redacted] page 6; Sao Paulo, Brasil)

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Mystery light reported over Sydney

Sunday Telegraph, July 8th 1956 3

"BRIGHT LIGHTS IN SKY"

R.A.A.F. in 'saucer' hunt over Sydney

An R.A.A.F plane flew over North Sydney yesterday to investigate a report of two unidentified objects in the air.

The pilot found no explanation for the sighting of the objects.

The R.A.A.F. was acting on a report from Mr. Alan Light, of Lloyd Avenue, Cremorne.

Mr. Light had earlier told the Sunday Telegraph that he and other Cremorne residents sighted two unusual objects in the sky.

Mr. Light was a radar equipment operator with the R.A.A.F. in World War II.

"The objects had a metallic appearance, and gave off a bright light," he said.

"They appeared between noon and 1 p.m. about 2000 feet up.

"They were almost stationary.

"The objects disappeared for about an hour, but one reappeared again about 10 past two.

"They weren't aircraft nor were they weather balloons—I've seen plenty of them."

An R.A.A.F. spokesman said the objects could have been reflected light from the planet Venus, at present close to the earth.

WOMAN SAYS SHE TOOK PHOTO OF "FLYING SAUCER"

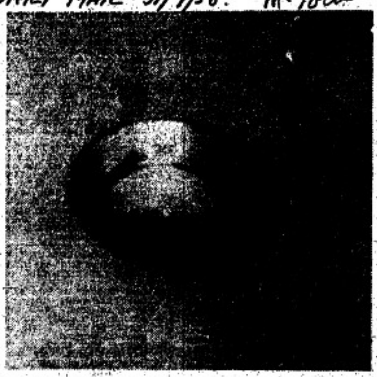
RAND DAILY MAIL 31/7/56 Mc Jour

IS it a flying saucer? — Mrs. Elizabeth Klarer, of Johannesburg, told a "Rand Daily Mail" reporter yesterday that she took this picture in the foothills of the Drakensberg, Natal, a week ago on Tuesday, July 24.

Mrs. Klarer is a member of the South African Interplanetary Society and of the British Flying Saucer Bureau.

"I took the picture on the farm, 'Whytelease,' at Rosetta, Natal," she said yesterday. "The farm belongs to my brother-in-law, Major D. C. Flower, who has also seen one of these objects.

Mrs. Klarer said that the picture was taken at 11.30 a.m. The sun was behind her, and she was facing due south. The object was moving fairly fast.



The Questions

Here are some questions put by a "Rand Daily Mail" reporter:

"How far away was it?"—"It is difficult to judge. I went up to a kopje to take pictures of the homestead. I saw a vivid flash in the sky over the wattle plantation, about 100 yards away, followed by another, which became an object in the sky.

"I tried to focus it in my viewfinder. It was difficult, but fortunately it slowed down and hovered, then made several weaving detours overhead. I took several photographs, but only two turned out really clearly. They were the last two, when the 'saucer' was comparatively near me. Then it streaked away upwards and was lost to view."

"Did you hear any sound of engines?"—"No."

"Was there any smell of petrol, or of anything else?"—"Nothing at all. But it was surrounded by a sort of shimmering, heat haze."

"Was there any sign of a window, or of life?"—"None at all."

"What was the colour?"—A dull, metallic grey, until it was lighted up by the sun. Then it shone with a sort of silvery colour."

"How high was it?"—"Things like height and distance are difficult to judge."

"Why?"—"Because these things constantly change shape and size and colour, according to the light and atmospheric conditions."

"Did anybody else see it?"—"Not that time. But Major Flower has seen them on other occasions."

PHOTOGRAPHER AND CAMERA: Mrs. Elizabeth Klarer, and the box camera with which she took the photograph of an "unindentified flying object" on the farm "Whytelease," Rosetta, Natal.

PICTURE OF THE "FLYING SAUCER"

To the Editor, "Rand Daily Mail."

Sir,—In view of the fact that suggestions have been made to me that the picture you published of the object (flying saucer?) which I saw and photographed in Natal was faked [illegible]

Spotting the "saucers" rouses keen interest

STAR: Jhb. 27/7/56 Mc Jour

By a Staff Reporter

"The International U.F.O. (Unidentified Flying Objects) spotting days, June 30 (next Saturday) and September 8, have raised more public interest than we had dared hope for," Mrs. E. Klarer, Argyll House, Parktown, said today.

Since the publicity given by local newspapers this week, Mrs. Klarer's telephone has scarcely stopped ringing.

She is a member of the British Flying Saucer Bureau and also the S.A. Interplanetary Society (which is affiliated to world interplanetary societies) and has no connection with the recently formed Interplanetary Research Society of Southern Africa.

"EVENTFUL?"

Mrs. Klarer is hoping that the spotting days will be eventful, and any interested persons may communicate with her, both before and after these days, by telephoning 44-7128.

Any scientific knowledge or sightings will be of great interest not only to the local authorities, but internationally.

Last Friday afternoon, about 38 miles from Johannesburg, Mrs. Klarer and two friends sighted an U.F.O.—a solid circle that hovered for a few seconds, flew backwards at terrific speed, hovered again and then disappeared.

"Five minutes later two planes appeared and circled the area for a long time," said Mr. Klarer.

Keep Your Eyes Open for Flying Saucers To-day

EVEN if you've never seen a flying saucer, keep your eyes on the skies to-day, which is "Flying Saucer" Day throughout the world. Johannesburg space enthusiasts are assisting in a world-wide search for unidentified flying objects.

Some authorities interviewed in Johannesburg yesterday said that to-day would be the most likely time to see a "saucer" (they call "saucers" unidentified flying objects), because Mars will swing very close to the earth and the theories have it that the "saucers" are manned by Martians.

The things to watch for in Johannesburg, and all other South African skies, are: cigar-shaped objects, bright lights which change speed and colour and direction, and any other "unidentified flying objects."

On terra firma look out for "little green men," who may land to tell the big bad world that it is going too far with its killings and hatred — some people claim that they have already spoken to the men and that this is their message.

But the hundreds of people in Johannesburg who believe in "saucers" are not taking to-day lightly. Many have arranged to go with field-glasses and telescopes to the top of the North-cliff Hill and scan the skies. A few went there at midnight, and others will remain there until early to-morrow morning.

Although senior officers of the South African Air Force have given many explanations of "saucers" seen in South African skies in the past, it is known that they are sympathetic to the cause of the sky-scanners. In America, air force reports have already indicated the likelihood of there being flying saucers, and have admitted the presence of unidentified flying objects.

If anybody does see a flying saucer, or any other unusual object in the sky to-day, they should contact a member of the British Flying Saucer Bureau whose telephone number on Sunday will be 44-7182 Johannesburg; or Pretoria 70-6867. He works in close liaison with the Air Force.

He and other members of the bureau will investigate sightings, and if necessary provide special forms which can be filled in. These forms will be sent overseas, where they will be investigated by scientists.

RAND DAILY MAIL 30/11/58

They seek "flying saucer" witnesses

A group of people interested in interplanetary communications have formed a club, the Interplanetary Research Society, Southern Africa.

They are anxious to have reports of unidentified flying objects and will welcome inquiries from interested persons.

The society will hold its inaugural meeting on Thursday. Its postal address is Box 9701, Johannesburg.

Star 3rd 6/12/58

Rhodesia has hopes of "flying saucer"

Star 7/12/58

From Our Correspondent

SALISBURY, Thursday.—Night photographs of what could "possibly be a large unidentified flying object" which were taken by a Salisbury photographer are to be sent to the flying saucer bureau in Bristol, England.

Mr. John Melrose, of Merrick Park, Salisbury, took two photographs of the full moon.

When developed the negatives were scarred with bright white lines as though a swiftly moving object of extreme brilliance had swept across the face of the moon.

Mr. Melrose says he saw no sign of any brilliant object when he took the photographs.

He was using a good quality camera and the films were exposed for only three seconds.

UNIQUE

The chairman of the Salisbury branch of the world-wide Flying Saucer Club, to whom the negatives were forwarded, said today that the object "is very probably a flying saucer."

"The fact that Mr. Melrose did not see the object has no bearing at all. Ultra-violet and infra-red rays not visible to the human eye could have made lines on the films. In all the books on the subject, no reference has ever been made to such an occurrence."

Hundreds see strange object

Hundreds of people last night watched "a peculiar red object like a comet" moving in the sky east of Sydney.

The object was sighted by people from Bondi to Lane Cove.

The object was first noticed at 9 p.m. and was still visible an hour and a quarter later.

Groups of Bondi people stood on street corners watching the object.

Mr. H Warham, Clyde Street, Bondi, said he and his family watched the object for an hour.

He said: "It's the most astonishing thing I've ever seen.

"It looks like a rocket with a tail heading for the earth at terrific speed.

"It glowed in a fiery red brilliance, then faded almost to a pin point. Then it seemed to return.

"I've seen everything that flies in the sky, but this defies description."

"Although I don't believe in flying saucers, I find it hard to believe this is anything like a plane.

"It's the first time I've noticed it."

"Kept rising"

Mr. W. F. Boyling, Lane Cove, said: "At first it looked like the light on the top of a television mast.

"But when it kept rising in the sky I became really interested.

"At times it was obscured by clouds. But it was quite bright. I've never seen anything like this before."

The Government Astronomer (Mr. H. Wood) discounted the suggestion that the object was Venus.

He said: "It could have been Mars, but it has been in that position some time and hasn't drawn much attention."

Cloudy conditions made it impossible for Mr. Wood to watch the object through the Observatory's telescope.

Daily Telegraph, August 7th 1956

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N.Z. FEARS INVASION

Mystery metal

excerpts from WELTRAUMBOTE #11 Oct. 1956 (2,000 copies)

Saucers and the Bible, by Rev. John Miller (trans. from published text by Interplanetary Found.,Detroit)

Space Beings Appear!

item #1 Hopkinsville affair as trans. from Mystic, Jan.1956
item 2 From Argentinia come reports in serious news-papers about the presence of peculiar creatures in certain territories. Tall and covered with hair they are said to be most active. There is an increase of saucer sightings, cigars and half-moons over these regions. Talk is about possible presence of super-natural beings. "Le Courier Interplanetaire" Lausanne, 1 Sept. 1956

item 3 Salta, 23 July 1956 - Reports from Claudio Level Spitch, an engineer, about "strange beings" near the El Macon glacier have been further amplified by several natives. They tell of foot prints of human-like, but gigantic, beings near El Macon and the surrounding snow-fields and for the first time one year ago near Telar Grande, after an earthquake. At the time no official investigation was made, although the natives maintained that a cigar-shaped object was shattered there. The newly-found tracks are associated more and more by the population with the appearance of several "flying cigars" over Salar de Arizaro some months ago. Their length was estimated at 1,000 feet; pictures of the objects were said to have been given to the press by the constabulary. Scientists are reminded by the foot prints in the snow of those of the famous Himalayan "snowmen." "Le Quotitien"
(trans.note: Salta is in etr. NW of Argent., Buenos Aires, 24July 1956
roughly 25°S, 65°W.)
editor Heinrich Ragaz adds: "the edits. of Courrier Intplntr. describe the mothership in the pix as fully identical to that in Adamski's pix. The police released an exact report about the sighting of the 1,000' long machine by their own members in 'La Razon' of 4 June and declared the pix came from Maximo Chilo of the 'Vialidad Nacional'"

item 4 Gonzales y Ponce encounter at Petare of 28Nov53
followed by three other - and well-known - items.

World Wide News - - - - 11 items from F.S.Review, London, June 56

Short Reports 1956
item # 1 from FSR as above
2 TV-news I.T.A. reported at 10:45 that a jet plane pursued a silver disc over a Swiss town on 13 May. "Uranus" London

3 Police officer Henri Petit and Sergent Boumba report a luminous, round object with white aura, in fast flight, at 1930 h at Bangui (French Equat. Africa) on 28 June. "Le Courrier Interplanetaire" 15ept56

4 An oblong flying machine crossed over Buenos Aires in vertical position. 29 June near 1800 h. Pheno. lasted one minute and was observed by many people from different quarters. "La Prensa"& "La Razon" 30 June56

5 At 0700 h on 3 July I saw in clear weather a cigar-shaped airship perhaps 10,000 to 16,000 feet high hover for ten minutes. Its size: like a cigar at 13 feet distance. - Normand Trahan, member Royal Astr. Soc., 5300 De Lorimer St., Montreal

6 A captain Aziz, pilot Pakistan Internl. Airlines, reported a deep-red saucer with blue vapor trail at 38,000 feet alti. on 11 July. Report from Karachi to "Courrier Intplntr."

7 21 July, Cadillac, Mich. Tourists and two cops saw red-spotted, brilliant white light fly circles near ground. "Detroit Times" 31 July

8 26 July, Bourg-en-Bresse (Ain) 2245 h married couple reported 3 luminous discs in flight, suddenly stop two minutes and disappear with great speed. - Rene Briche in "Courrier Intplntr." 1 Sept 56

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9 Between 1700 and 1730 hrs on 27 July an object, neither balloon nor airplane,"stood" above Dijon. It had the shape of a ship with a concave portion (dished out - Ausbuchtung) on top. It hovered half an hour then disapp. in direction NW, against the wind. Many witnesses. "Paris Presse" 29 July

10 & 11 Detroit Times of 31 July (Saginaw, Post Austin,Bad Axe, Mich.)

12 Suva, Fidji Islands, 2 Aug. several hundred inhabitants saw in bright day-light a flat sdisc that turned on its axis. Two weeks ago ports were noticed on a similar object. AP

13 Mme. Berthe Leriche and five others observed on 5 Aug. at 2230 h near Moislains (France) a sort of reddish fire-ball at an altitude that may have varied from 3,000 to 22,000 feet for more than an hour. Object let itself fall like a leaf androse again in intermittent fashion. Disappearance was vertical and quite fast. "Courrier Picard" 7 Aug.

14 At Katmandu 6 Aug southern Nepal thousands see UFO apparent size of sun for 90 sec. Color-change: red to white to blue. Disapp. behind clouds.

15 Dozens of persons saw fl.saucers and fire balls UP 13 Aug over Copenhagen 4 Sept. Sighted also by air base radar. Alti.: 16,000 feet; speed: 3,000 km/h. Jets could not overtake objects. "Feuille d'Avis de Lausanne," 4 September 56

16 Stockholm, 9.9.56 Eruption of sun spots interfered Saturday with rail traffic in all Sweden. Earth's magnetic field apparently influenced, causing disruptions in the circuits of signal systems. Reuters

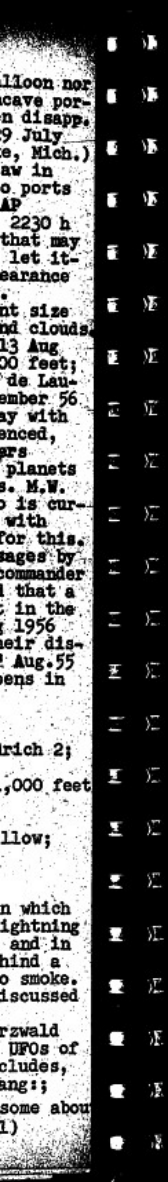
17 Accto. numerous identical reports, inhabitants of several planets have erected operations bases on OUR earth, notably in the Antarctis. M.W. Smith, former chief of the Canadian observatory at Shirley's Bay who is currently in charge of shortwave stations, has been in contact (radio) with these intelligences from space several times. We have verification for this. Also, a Canadian electrician and railroad employee has received messages by short wave, broadcast by pilots of interplanetary space ships. The commander of the Chilean antarctic base, Augusto Vars Orrego, has acknowledged that a number of scientists under his command have photographed space craft in the spring of 1950 in those regions. "Le Courrier Interplanetaire" 1 Aug 1956

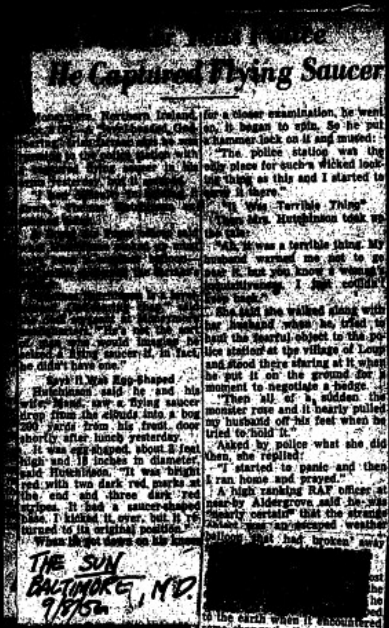
18 It is not only a fact that the Mars "canals" exist but their distribution is not based on coincidence. "Astronom.Soc.of the Pacific" Aug.55 (Will somebody check this sentence with the source and see what happens in a "double translation?" Trans.)

Another UFO Over Zürich

Witnesses: Gerh. Katz-Heberlein, bookseller, & wife; Brunau St.74,Zürich 2;
Date,etc.: 19Aug56, 21.55 h, from their home;
Atmosph. condits.: moon-lit, fresh, no wind, cloud-banks in NW at 11,000 feet (accto. weather service)
Shape: not recognizable due to blinding action of object;
Direction: E to W; Color: steady, spark-like jumble, red to light yellow;
Size: like a medium-sized top (over) coat button at arm's length;
Altitude: unknown, but not above 11,000 feet; Angle of Elevation: 4°
Apparent Speed: two to three km/h;
General: It was a sparkling object, like a ball of tinder or punk, in which red and yellow sparks jumped back and forth and which issued small lightning in all directions. The pheno. hovered at first and then moved slowly and in the same alti. until after about two minutes it was lost to sight behind a tree. It could not have been fire works or an airplane - no noise, no smoke. It is remarkable that we watched this beautiful sight after having discussed flying saucers for half an hour.
Books: Die Welt wird grösser, by Gerhard Lau; Astraverlag,Lahr/Schwarzwald (Baden)1956, 94pp DM 6.20; brings some hitherto unknown sightings of UFOs of earlier days; rejects USSR,USA origin theories for good reasons; concludes, they are not from earth.-- The Man In The Thick Lead Suit, Daniel Lang:; Oxford Univ.Press,N.Y. 207pp; collection of reports and interviews, some about UFOs.

(Trans. Mitchell)





He Captured Flying Saucer

for a closer examination, he went on, it began to spin. So he put a hammer lock on it and mused:

"The police station was the only place for such a wicked looking thing as this and I started to carry it there."

"It Was Terrible Thing"

Then Mrs. Hutchinson took up the tale:

"Ah, it was a terrible thing. My husband warned me not to go near it, but you know I always do as I'm told. I just couldn't help it."

She said she walked along with her husband when he tried to hand the fearful object to the police station at the village of Loup and stood there staring at it when he put it on the ground for a moment to negotiate a hedge.

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Asked by police what she did then, she replied:

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to the earth when it encountered some change in the air currents. And it could have gone up again."

Mrs. Hutchinson vigorously shook her head in disagreement.

The Hutchinson farm is located in a bleak, boggy land near Loch Neagh, where leprechauns, ghosts and witches have been reported sighted through the ages.

But never a flying saucer before.

THE SUN
BALTIMORE, MD.
9/8/56

Get Away

A SLIPPERY SAUCER OR A SLIPPERY TALE

MONEYMORE, County Derry, Ireland, Sept. 8 (INS).—A farmer in Loup said today he "captured" a flying saucer—but it got away.

Thomas J. Hutchinson said the saucer landed at a farm. He described it as egg-shaped, about three feet high and 18 inches in diameter.

Hutchinson said the saucer escaped while it was being taken to the police station.

New York Journal-American
Sat. Sept. 8 1956-3

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'Couldn't Hold It—So Flyin' Saucer Got Away!

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SAW IT DROP

Hutchinson said he and his wife Maud saw a flying saucer drop into a bog 200 yards from his front door.

It was egg-shaped, about three feet high and 18 inches in diameter. Colored bright red and had a saucer-shaper base, she said.

When he got down for a closer look, he went on, it began to spin. So he put a hammer lock on it.

He and his wife started for the police station but he put it down for a moment to negotiate a hedge. Mrs. Hutchinson continued the story:

"Then all of a sudden the monster rose and it nearly pulled my husband off his feet."

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It Dropped Out of the Clouds

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When he got down on his knees for a closer examination, he went on, it began to spin. So he put a hammer lock on it and mused:

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SUNDAY NEWS, 9/9/56

NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE
SEP 9 - 1956

A Saucerer's Apprentice

Odd Object Spins Away From Irish Captor

By the Associated Press.

MONEYMORE, Northern Ireland, Sept. 8.—An Irishman named Thomas J. Hutchinson swore to police today he captured a flaming red flying saucer—but it got away.

"I had difficulty in holding it down," he explained.

Mr. Hutchinson said the incident happened this way:

He was sitting at home with his wife, Maud, about noon yesterday when an object dropped from low clouds to the only dry piece of ground in the middle of a bog 200 yards from his front door.

He and his wife sloshed across the bog and found the object lying motionless. It was egg-shaped, about three feet high and 18 inches in diameter.

"It was bright red," said Mr. Hutchinson, "with two dark red marks at the end and three dark red stripes. It had a saucer-shaped base."

The Hutchinsons watched the gadget for a few moments.

"I kicked it over," said the Irishman, "but it returned to its original position."

When he got down on his hands and knees to examine the baffling object more closely, it started to spin.

He put a hammerlock on it, but it was pretty powerful.

"The police station," said Mr. Hutchinson, "was the only place for such a wicked-looking thing as this, and I started to carry it there."

But on the way to the village of Loup, Mr. Hutchinson had to get through a thick hedge.

"I put the saucer down for a moment," he said, "and what do you think? It started spinning again."

Before he had time to throw himself on the queer-looking invader it rose quickly and disappeared into the rain-laden clouds.

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The One That Got Away

The newest flying saucer story concerns a "level-headed, God-fearing" Irishman. Farmer Thomas Hutchinson, of Moneymore, Northern Ireland, not only claims to have seen a flying saucer, but says he captured it and was on his way to the local police station with it when it got away from him. He set his UFO down for a minute—a mistake—and away the flying object flew.

To see a flying saucer is no longer unusual. There have been those persons who claim to have ridden in them and talked to their occupants.

But to wrestle, even if the match was a losing one, with a flying saucer, this is a new twist.

The next thing, we fear, is a fellow who has not only seen a flying saucer and held it in his hands, but has sipped coffee from it.

SUNDAY MIRROR
SEP 9 1956

'Captured' Saucer Gets Away From Farmer

Irish Village Police Back Up Tale

MONEYMORE, Northern Ireland, Sept. 8 (AP).—A "level-headed god-fearing" Irish farmer says he was running to the police station with a captured flying saucer in his arms, but it escaped.

"I had difficulty in holding it down," Thomas Hutchinson explained Saturday.

A ROYAL AIR FORCE officer said what Hutchinson picked up must have been a weather balloon—but police preferred the farmer's version.

"Thomas Hutchinson is not the sort of man who would imagine he seized a flying saucer if, in fact, he didn't have one," police retorted.

Hutchinson said he and his wife Maud saw a flying saucer drop from the clouds into a bog 200 yards from his front door shortly after lunch Friday.

IT WAS EGG-SHAPED, about 3 feet high and 18 inches in diameter, said Hutchinson. "It was bright red with two dark red marks at the end and three dark red stripes. It had a saucer-shaped base. I kicked it over, but it returned to its original position."

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"The police station was the only place for such a wicked-looking thing as this and I started to carry it there," he said.

Then Mrs. Hutchinson took up the tale:

"Ah, it was a terrible thing. My husband warned me not to go near it, but you know a woman's inquisitiveness. I just couldn't keep back."

SHE SAID SHE walked along with her husband when he tried to haul the fearful object to the village of Loup and stood there staring at it when he put it on the ground for a moment to negotiate a hedge.

"Then all of a sudden the master rose and it nearly pulled my husband off his feet when he tried to hold it."

Asked by police what she did then, she replied:

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September 11, 1956: Allied intelligence experts were reported to be investigating radar sightings of "mysterious objects" which had been tracked for three weeks over the Baltic Sea by a NATO radar station on Bernholm Island, Denmark. The UFOs followed a curved course traveling about 2000-2500 m.p.h. [See Section VIII; Radar]

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NIGHT LEAD FLYING SAUCER

MONEYMORE, NORTHERN IRELAND, SEPT. 8 (AP)-A "LEVEL-HEADED, GOD-FEARING" IRISH FARMER SAYS HE WAS RUNNING TO THE POLICE STATION WITH A CAPTURED FLYING SAUCER IN HIS ARMS YESTERDAY, BUT IT ESCAPED.

"I HAD DIFFICULTY IN HOLDING IT DOWN," THOMAS HUTCHINSON EXPLAINED TODAY.

A ROYAL AIR FORCE OFFICER SAID WHAT HUTCHINSON PICKED UP MUST HAVE BEEN A WEATHER BALLOON--BUT POLICE PREFERRED THE FARMER'S VERSION.

"THOMAS HUTCHINSON IS A LEVEL-HEADED, GOD-FEARING CHAP," SAID THE DESK SERGEANT AT MONEYMORE HEADQUARTERS. "HE'S NOT THE SORT OF MAN WHO WOULD IMAGINE HE SEIZED A FLYING SAUCER IF, IN FACT, HE DIDN'T HAVE ONE."

HUTCHINSON SAID HE AND HIS WIFE HAD SAW A FLYING SAUCER DROP FROM THE CLOUDS INTO A BOG 200 YARDS FROM HIS FRONT DOOR SHORTLY AFTER LUNCH YESTERDAY.

IT WAS EGG-SHAPED, ABOUT 3 FEET HIGH AND 18 INCHES IN DIAMETER, SAID HUTCHINSON. "IT WAS BRIGHT RED WITH TWO DARK RED MARKS AT THE END AND THREE DARK RED STRIPES. IT HAD A SAUCER-SHAPED BASE. I KICKED IT OVER, BUT IT RETURNED TO ITS ORIGINAL POSITION."

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A HIGH RANKING RAF OFFICER AT NEARBY ALDERGROVE SAID HE WAS "NEARLY CERTAIN" THAT THE STRANGE OBJECT WAS AN ESCAPED WEATHER BALLOON THAT HAD BROOMED AWAY FROM SOME STATION.

"THESE BALLOONS ARE ALMOST IDENTICAL WITH THE SHAPE OF THE OBJECT THAT HUTCHINSON SAW," HE ADDED. "IT COULD HAVE DROPPED TO THE EARTH WHEN IT ENCOUNTERED SOME CHANGE IN THE AIR CURRENTS. AND IT COULD HAVE GONE ON."

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THE HUTCHINSON FARM IS LOCATED IN A BLEAK, BOGGY LAND NEAR LOCH NEAGH, WHERE LEPRECHAUNS, GHOSTS AND WITCHES HAVE BEEN SIGHTED THROUGH THE AGES.

BUT NEVER A FLYING SAUCER BEFORE.

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Extract from
Grimsby Evening Telegraph

8 SEP 1956

Flying saucer

HE SAYS HE 'CAPTURED' ONE, BUT IT ESCAPED ON WAY TO THE POLICE STATION

MR. THOMAS J. HUTCHINSON, of Loup, near Moneymore, Co. Derry, reported to police last night that he "captured" a flying saucer — but it escaped on the way to the police station.

Police at Loup are investigating Mr. Hutchinson's story of the egg-shaped object, pointed at both ends about 3ft. high and 18in. in diameter at its widest point, which, he said, landed on a farm at Loup yesterday.

He said the object dropped from the clouds on to the only dry piece of ground in the middle of a swamp about 200 yards away from his home.

Kicked it

He and his wife investigated, and found the object motionless. Mr. Hutchinson said he watched it for a few minutes then kicked it over, but it returned to its original position.

Then when he was examining it closely it started spinning. "I had difficulty in holding it down" he said.

He started to carry it to the police station, but when he left it down to make a way through a hedge it started spinning again.

Before he could throw himself over it it rose quickly and disappeared from sight in a few seconds.

An official at Aldergrove R.A.F. station said the object did not belong to them. He could not "even hazard a guess" as to what it might have been.

NEW YORK POST, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1956

The Flying Saucer That Got Away

Loupe, Northern Ireland Sept. 8 (Reuters)—Police today investigated a report that a man last night captured a "flying saucer" but it got away while he was bringing it to the police station.

Thomas Hutchinson told police the object landed on a farm near his home. The saucer was egg-shaped, pointed at both ends, about three feet high and about 18 inches in diameter at its widest point.

Colored Bright Red

Hutchinson told police the object, bright red with two dark red marks at the end and three dark red stripes, had a saucer-shaped base.

He told police and reporters that he was with his wife in their home when the object dropped from the clouds on to the only dry piece of ground in the middle of a swamp about 200 yards away.

They investigated and found the object motionless. Hutchinson said he watched it for a few minutes then kicked it over but it returned to its original position.

Then when he was examining it closely it started spinning.

"I had difficulty in holding it down," he said.

He started to carry it to the police station, he said, but when he put it down to make a way through a hedge it started spinning again.

It Eludes Him

Before he could throw himself over it it rose quickly and disappeared from sight in a few seconds.

A spokesman at Aldergrove Royal Air Force station said the object did not belong to them and he could "not even hazard a guess' as to what it might have been.

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But It Got Away!

Flying Saucer Captured In Land of Leprechauns

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FLYING SAUCER FOUND NEAR LOUGH NEAGH, IRELAND

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Saucers Over Cyprus

Nicosia, Cyprus, Sept. 17 (Reuters).—The Greek-language weekly newspaper Alithea reported today that flying saucers passed over Nicosia

WHAT'S UP THERE?

EIGHT days after they thought they HEARD a flying saucer thousands of Lincolnshire folk thought they SAW one yesterday.

Eight o'clock Gleethorpes promenade a mystery sphere glittered in the blue sky. "It looked like a glass globe with something white inside," said an eye-witness.

But a Meteorological Office spokesman at Manby R.A.F. Station who studied the object through a telescope said: "I don't know what it is. It certainly is not a balloon from here."

Eight days ago a mystery explosion puzzled people in the district. EMPIRE NEWS & SUNDAY CHRONICLE 9-26-56

Saucer that got away

BELFAST, Saturday: A man reported to the police at Loup late night that he had captured a flying saucer — but it escaped while he was taking it to the police station.

We are investigating the story of Thomas Hutchinson, who claimed that an object landed on a farm nearby.

He said the saucer was egg-shaped, painted at both ends, about three feet high, and about 18 in in diameter at the widest point.

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Daily Mail 8th July 1956

Although he could throw himself over it it rose quickly and disappeared from sight in a few seconds.

A spokesman for Aldergrove Royal Air Force station said the object did not belong to them, and he could not even hazard a guess as to what it might have been.

Hutchinson said there were no aircraft in the vicinity at the time.—AAP.

This Clipping From
FAYETTEVILLE, ARK.
NORTHWEST ARK. TIMES

SEP 8 1956

Strange Things In News, Even Capture Of "Saucer" Reported

Stranger things are in the news today!

London, Northern Ireland, and the United States share honors for the "strangest occurrence of the week" with a trapped flying saucer, possible rocket trip to the moon and the skeleton discovery of an ancient Osage Indian.

At Sullivan, Mo., a 24-year-old amateur archaeologist reports finding a skelton measuring six feet, seven inches tall. He found the skelton on a Labor Day expedition in a cave on the Meramec River.

Roy Juergens, a substitute letter-carrier, said he found pottery, tools and jewelry in other tribe to the cave. He plans to call in professional archaeologists to study the find. He is sure he has unearthed an ancient.

An American rocket expert in London told a British audience that man will land on the moon before the end of the century.

"Within 10 years the scientists will have man flying into space in a man-made satellite and within [illegible] be flying [illegible] the moon," F. C. Durant, [illegible] engineering at [illegible] Rocket Test Station, [illegible] confidently predict that the first time landing from the earth will be achieved before the end of [illegible]

But a story out of Moneymore, Northern Ireland, tops them all.

An Irishman named Thomas J. Hutchinson swore to police that he captured a flaming red flying saucer — but it got away.

He explained the incident in this manner:

He was sitting at home with his wife about noon yesterday when an object dropped from low clouds on a spot about 200 yards from his front door.

He and his wife ran to the object and found an egg-shaped saucer about three feet high and 18 inches in diameter. "It was bright red," said Hutchinson, "with two dark red marks at the end and three dark red stripes. It had a saucer-shaped base."

When Hutchinson started to examine the object it started spinning. He put a hammer lock on the saucer, and stopped the spinning. He then started for the police station. On the way to the station he had to get through a thick hedge and put the saucer down for a minute, whereupon it started spinning again and before he could stop it the saucer rose quickly and disappeared into the clouds.

When reported to the Royal Air Force an officer reported he "would not even hazard a guess as to what it was.

THE EVENING TELEGRAM, HERKIMER-ILION

Man Claims He Caught Saucer, But Lost Hold

MONEYMORE, Northern Ireland (AP) — An Irishman named Thomas J. Hutchinson swore to police today that he captured a flaming red flying saucer—but it got away.

"I had difficulty in holding it down," he explained.

Hutchinson said the incident—one of the most intriguing County Derry cops have heard in years—happened this way:

He was sitting at home with his wife Maud about noon yesterday when an object dropped from low clouds to the only dry piece of ground in the middle of a bog 200 yards from his front door.

He and his wife sloshed across the bog and found the object lying motionless. It was egg-shaped, about 3 feet high and 18 inches in diameter.

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"The police station," said Hutchinson, "was the only place for such a wicked looking thing as this and I started to carry it there."

But on the way to the village of Loup, Hutchinson had to get through a thick hedge.

"I put the saucer down for a moment," he said, "and what do you think? It started spinning again."

Before he had time to throw himself on the queer colored invader it rose quickly and disappeared into the rain laden clouds.

This Clipping From
ALTUS, OKLA.
TIMES-DEMOCRAT
SEP 11 1956

Missile Mystery

Allied intelligence experts are reported to be in a flurry about radar sightings of mysterious "objects" over the Baltic Sea. For three weeks, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization radar station on Denmark's Bornholm Island has been tracking the "objects" by night. Flying at speeds of 2,000 to 2,500 miles an hour, they are reported to be coming from the Peenemunde area of Russian-occupied East Germany. They fly from east to west, then turn back in a wide curve. The German wartime V1 and V2 rockets were developed at Peenemunde.

FLYING SAUCERS

BATON ROUGE, LA
ADVOCATE
9/11/56

● That Flying Saucer

No better place could have been picked for the landing of a flying saucer than in a bog near Moneymore, Ireland. Sure and it's the truth that Mister Hutchinson must be telling when he reports on what he saw and felt that day the saucer landed in the bog close by Loch Neagh, the noted place of leprechauns, ghosts and witches.

Hutchinson, as you may have read, saw this object fall. He went to it bravely, and curiously. Hiefting it, he could see its markings which were all strange and unknown to him. Knowing such objects ought to be turned over to the proper authorities, he set out jugging it to town and the police. But the saucer, taking advantage of a little respite when he set it down, lifted and went away.

To Mr. Hutchinson, the memory is very vivid and clear of that object. It was bright red with marks and dark stripes. It was attractive and intriguing, and very like weather balloons which a Royal Air Force officer said are being turned loose. If ever it comes down again, we hope the Air Force officer gets hold of it and keeps it on land long enough for all to be satisfied as to its nature.

In recent years, German NICAP members have contributed UFO information to NICAP regularly. Martin Bruckmann, engineering student, at about midnight November 19, 1956 observed seven bright, blue-white elliptical objects in V-formation moving rapidly east to west over Frankfurt. [49]

FAR EAST REPORT

"On____December 1956 two USAF jet pilots were practicing ground radar positioned intercepts on each other in the vicinity of_____.

During one run, the report states, the intercepting pilot picked up a large unexplained radar blip; he estimated the UFO to be as large as a B-29 bomber. Radar showed it to be 20 miles away and 30 degrees to the left.

"Pilot called the GCI [Ground Control Intercept] site to ask if they had a target which would correspond to the unidentified blip. After receiving an answer in the negative, he asked for and received permission to determine the nature of the source of the radar return."

The pilot closed in at over 700 mph; at 8 miles range a round object became visible exactly where the radar showed it. The apparent size was very large. The pilot described it as "the size of a lead pencil eraser if placed against the windscreen." [Using figures supplied by North American Aviation, the diameter of the UFO was computed to be about 350 feet.] [14.]

The pilot got a radar "lock-on" (automatically guiding his plane toward the UFO). As he continued to close in, his radar was suddenly jammed by a strong interference. Using anti-jam procedure, the pilot switched frequency. For 10 seconds, this eliminated the mysterious interference pulses, then they began again. But the pulsations were not strong enough to break the radar lock-on, and the jet held its course.

"The jet closed to within 5 nautical miles of the object and could not close further. When the pilot was closest to the unidentified object, it appeared to make a shallow left turn. It had the appearance of being circular on the bottom."

The color of the UFO was described as a golden tan, with no reflection from the sun. After the UFO began turning, the pilot's radar indicated that the object was "moving up and away at from 1,500 to 1,800 knots [1,700 to over 2,000 mph]."

The Air Force report states that this is an estimate, since the UFOs' rate of departure was faster than the jet's radar could track. The blip "disappeared by moving rapidly off the top of the scope."

The Intelligence Report shows that the jet and all of its equipment was immediately checked, and all systems were satisfactory. Under "Comments of the interrogation officers," the Report states:

"The observing pilot, Lt._____, had many flying hours as of the time of the incident. Over half had been logged in this type of jet. He appeared to be conscientious and reported the incident in a straightforward, slightly embarrassed manner, saying that he would doubt the possibility of such an occurrence if it hadn't actually happened to him.

"The fact that no unidentified tracks were observed by ground radar should not be given much weight in evaluating this report. Both the jet aircraft involved required IFF in order that the controlling GCI site could plot them." ["IFF" is an identification code transmitter system developed in World War II called "Identification, Friend or Foe." The fact that IFF signals were required for ground radar to plot the jets indicates that the Air Force planes otherwise would not have shown up on the ground radar.]

The above sample cases contain examples of most of the recurring features of reported UFOs:

- √ Reports from competent observers such as scientists and pilots.
- √ Flight characteristics such as a disc wobbling on its axis.
- √ Maneuver patterns such as hovering and terrific acceleration.
- √ Physical evidence such as radar trackings and electromagnetic effects.

Typically, the majority of reports describe disc-shaped or elliptical objects. [See Section XII, Patterns, for additional details.]

The following is a copy of a newspaper article which appeared in the [illegible] on [illegible]. The name of [illegible] was reported this same incident in the Monday issue of August 9, 1954.

[illegible] of No. 7 [illegible] saw the way the "Flying saucer" came down it [illegible]

[illegible] Mr. Robertson gave a full description of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Re: Palestinian fighting reported in Dutch newspaper article.

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Honolulu STAR-BULLETIN - TUES., FEB. 12 - 1957

Mystery Objects Reported

Two Kaimuki housewives have reported to police they witnessed two strange looking unidentified objects cavorting in the sky high above St. Louis Heights yesterday.

Mrs. Winifred Anderson, 3385 Maunaloa Avenue, said she saw the first "glowing" object just before noon as it appeared to be diving straight toward earth.

It had a shiny tail, like aluminum, that looked like a streak of lightning. The main body of the object, Mrs. Anderson said today, glowed as though there were light in it. The body was described as a "ball-ball" form.

[illegible] streaked out on a slant and disappeared into a cloud.

Mrs. Anderson called her sister-in-law, Mrs. Helen Anderson of 3385-A [illegible] and as both women watched from the patio, the object [illegible]

"At the time we saw two of them [illegible] the second one was a little smaller and traveling below the big one," Mrs. Winifred Anderson said.

The objects, she said, seemed [illegible] toward Koko Head and vanished into the clouds.

Mrs. Anderson said the flying objects were too high for kites and changed directions too fast for jet planes.

"I've never seen anything like it before."

Motor Patrolman Richard Boyd was sent to investigate. He scanned the sky but couldn't see the objects.

THE MAN AT THE MINISTRY

We are not treating the matter flippantly, Mr. C. I. Orr-Ewing told M.P.

MINISTRY TO PROBE SAUCER RIDDLE?

What The House Of Commons Did Not Hear!

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FROM A LAUNDRY IN ROCHDALE OR DID IT?

M.P.'s roared when they heard the explanation given by the Under-Secretary of State for Air, Mr. C. I. Orr-Ewing, of an object seen over Lancashire.

The man who had raised the question, Mr. J. A. Leavey, Conservative Member for Heywood and Royton, joined in the laughter. So did I from my seat in the press gallery.

It was funny.

NOW I CAN REVEAL A SEQUEL UNKNOWN TO M.Ps OR READERS OF THE NATIONAL PRESS. AS THE RESULT OF AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH MR. LEAVEY, I HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAVE NOT DISMISSED THE SAUCER RIDDLE SO LIGHTLY AS AT FIRST APPEARED.

But first let me record what took place in the House.

Was the Secretary of State for Air aware that an abnormal, brightly illuminated, air-borne object was seen near Wardle in Lancashire at about 10 p.m. on Friday, February 15? was Mr. Leavey's question. What reports had the Minister received from the radar warning system?

By FRED ARCHER

Balloons

"This object, described in the Press as a flying saucer, did not emanate from outer space but from a laundry in Rochdale," replied the Under-Secretary for Air.

"It consisted of two small hydrogen-filled balloons, illuminated by a flashlight bulb."

Mr. Orr-Ewing went on to explain that a mechanic had released it as part of an experiment in the planning of a small model radio-controlled airship.

"There was no reason for the radar system to report a small moving object of this character."

It was most unlikely that this explanation would be accepted by those who saw the object, said Mr. Leavey.

"Are you aware," he asked the Under-Secretary, "that in spite of the light-hearted tone of your reply there is still some general disquiet about these unexplained objects?

"Will you therefore take an early opportunity, preferably now, to make a general declaration that the Ministry is not at the moment, or has not in the immediate past, been involved in releasing objects which could be described as flying saucers?"

"I can certainly give that assurance," replied Mr. Orr-Ewing.

When I spoke to Mr. Leavey later in the week, he was definite that the evidence of the two main witnesses with whom he has been in contact weighed against the balloon device theory.

"They are sensible, sane people, who, in my judgment, would not be led to any wild fantasies," he told me.

And there is indication that the Government may well be having second thoughts.

Since his reply in the House, Mr. Orr-Ewing has spoken privately to Mr. Leavey.

HE ASSURED HIM THAT HE WAS NOT TREATING THE MATTER FLIPPANTLY BUT WAS CONSIDERING SOME MEANS OF PURSUING THE INQUIRY.

THE MINISTRY WERE QUITE READY TO BE HELPFUL AND TO SEE IF MORE FACTUAL INFORMATION COULD BE OBTAINED.

Mr. Leavey himself is disinclined to take inter-planetary travel as being the explanation of the saucers. He had only the normal casual interest in the subject before this incident was brought to his attention by constituents.

Now he is pursuing the issue doggedly on behalf of the people he represents in Parliament.

Too much should not be read into this one incident. Further inquiries could confirm the mundane explanation already given.

It is, however, an undeniable fact that flying saucers—more accurately termed Unidentified Flying Objects—have aroused increasing public interest and controversy in recent years.

The British Government has shown typical reticence on the subject. But the government of the U.S.A. has made no secret of the fact that official investigations have been taking place for some years at a high level. Not all the results have yet been made public.

Fantastic?

An important new American book (reviewed on page 4) carries an intriguing note on which I will end. It quotes a New York "Journal American" report:

"British scientists and airmen, after examining the wreckage of one mysterious flying ship, are convinced these strange aerial objects are not optical illusions or Soviet inventions but are actually flying saucers which originate on another planet.

"The source of my information is a British official of Cabinet rank who prefers to remain unidentified. . . ."

The reporter quoted his informant as saying, "It's frightening; but there's no denying the flying saucers come from another planet."

Fantastic? Incredible? Perhaps.

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Aclarado el Misterio del Globo

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guardando la bodega prohibiéndose la entrada al público. Estuvieron presentes nada más que las autoridades civiles y militares. No pudo ser aclarado en la bodega, debido a su gran tamaño y alto que en algunas partes alcanza a dos metros. Demuestra haber estado algún tiempo expuesto al sol y tiene dos grandes parches en su extremo. Después un fuerte olor a cuero quemado y será pegado con una substancia con fuerte olor a parafina en pasta, para evitar, presumiblemente, pérdida de aire o introducción de humedad. La única señal que tiene es la letra "Z". En la parte inferior se ve un gancho que se supone se usa para ser inflado o transportado. La pieza metálica, de 10 centímetros de alto por treinta, que lleva el cubierta, fue desarmada sin encontrándose en su interior instrumentos como se suponía.

Otro Globo Visto Cayendo

Otro globo, venía cayendo ayer a las 10 horas, cruzando de este a oeste el cielo de cienmontes. Patrullas de carabineros fue enviada a la mina Santa Rosa ubicada en el volcán Olmglio, casi en la frontera con Bolivia. El nuevo globo detenta (Inteligible) inoferensivo. La patrulla de carabineros informará al ministro al respecto. Gran cantidad de público pretende llegar hasta el lugar donde se supone cae.

Aclarado El Misterio Del Globo

Se Trata de un Globo-Zonda Meteorológico; Otro Caerá en Bolivia.

El globo de material plástico descubierto en el norte y cuyo hallazgo causó expectación en todo el país, fue traído ayer a la capital en un avión de la Fuerza Aérea de Chile que aterrizó en Los Cerrillos alrededor de las 16.30 horas.

Al mediodía, el Comando en Jefe de la FACH había recibido un radiograma desde Antofagasta, confirmando que el "extraño aparato" resultó ser un globo. El radiograma, despachado a Santiago por el Ala N.o 1 de la FACH con asiento en Antofagasta, informó que se trataba de "un globo de plástico con un disco en el rancho superior. Está deteriorado y carece de instrumental que pueda ser de interés científico".

Será Examinado

En la tarde, el globo fue llevado a la Oficina Meteorológica de Chile que está en Quinta Normal donde será examinado por peritos en materia.

Según información oficial proporcionada por los jefes de la Fuerza Aérea se trata de un globo-sonda, de los que se usan con fines experimentales.

Está Semidestruído

El gigantesco globo se encuentra semidestruído debido a su extracción de entre las rocas.

Fue transportado desde Gilboe a Calama en un tren y desde allí a Antofagasta en un carro del ejército, a fin de evitar la aglomeración que había en la estación de ferrocarriles. Fue custodiado hasta allí por fuerzas de carabineros, siendo desembarcado en la bodega de la FACH, en Cerro Moreno, por ocho hombres, debido a su peso de quinientos kilos y a su gran volumen y longitud de casi nueve aproximadamente. Fue vigilado la "guardia y

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A PUNTO DE CHOCAR CON UN 'OBJETO' AVION QUE IBA HACIA PUERTO RICO

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llegada a Puerto Rico, el piloto dijo que había tenido que hacer un agudo viraje hacia arriba para evitar el choque.

Un portavoz de la Pan American dijo que la compañía no ha consultado aún al Departamento de Defensa sobre la posibilidad de que el objeto haya sido un proyectil.

Por supuesto, el tema de los "platos voladores" ha vuelto a ser discutido con motivo de este incidente, aunque la Fuerza Aérea dijo en octubre de 1953, tras un estudio de ocho años, que aquellos no existían.

Sin embargo, el contralmirante Delmer S. Fahrney, experto en proyectiles, telegulados, declaró hace poco tiempo que es cierto que "objetos no identificados", al parecer "dirigidos por seres inteligentes", están penetrando la atmósfera de la tierra a velocidades que el hombre no podría igualar. Fahrney es el presidente de una nueva organización llamada Comité Nacional de Investigaciones sobre objetos voladores no identificados.

AL HOSPITAL 3 PERSONAS CON POSTRACION

El piloto tuvo que hacer subir el avión 450 metros en pocos segundos.—Declaran otros pilotos.

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico, Marzo 9. (UP). — El piloto de la Pan American Airways, Mathew A. Van Winkle, arribó al llegar a esta capital que su avión estuvo a punto de chocar con un objeto no identificado a mitad del vuelo de Nueva York a San Juan.

Las maniobras que tuvo que hacer el avión para eludir al objeto hicieron que varios pasajeros y la camarera del aparato sufrieran contusiones o lesiones de poca importancia.

Van Winkle declaró que su primera impresión fue de que el objeto era un avión a reacción, pero cuando estuvo cerca comprobó que tenía forma diferente. Era un objeto envuelto en llamas.

Para no chocar con el objeto el piloto tuvo que hacer subir a su avión casi 450 metros en pocos segundos.

A consecuencia de la brusca maniobra la pasajera, señora Augusta Gilboe, fue hospitalizada por sufrir de choque y contusiones y otras tres personas sufrieron lesiones leves. Su esposo, Abraham Gilboe; el pasajero Monserrate Soto y la camarera Julia Santiago Rodríguez también fueron hospitalizados por sufrir también de choque, conmoción y laceraciones.

El piloto no identificado de un avión de la Trans-Caribbean, declaró haber visto también el objeto y opinó que podía tratarse de un meteorito. Un portavoz de la Pan American manifestó que pilotos y pasajeros de otros aviones que volaban por la misma ruta vieron más de un objeto.

En Washington

WASHINGTON, Marzo 9. (UP). — El Departamento de Defensa no pudo identificar hoy el extraño "objeto" que casi chocó esta mañana sobre el Atlántico con un avión de la Pan American World Airways.

Un portavoz del Departamento dijo que éste no ha recibido aún un informe sobre el incidente. Al mismo tiempo, rehusó decir si el objeto en cuestión podría haber sido un proyectil telegulado "fugitivo" o fuera de control.

Los representantes de la Pan American en Washington tampoco pudieron dar una explicación de lo ocurrido al avión que volaba de Nueva York a San Juan. A 90

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Procedencia de Extraño Cuerpo No Es Explicada

Sería Una Parte De un Aerosonda; No Es un Satélite

Expectación Pública Ha Creado el Hallazgo de Este Objeto en el Norte.

El general Ramón Cañas Montalva, jefe del Comité Chileno del Año Geofísico Internacional, interrogado por los periodistas sobre el hallazgo ocurrido en Ollagüe, declaró la posibilidad de que fuese, en efecto, un satélite artificial, como lo han manifestado las primeras publicaciones. Dijo, sin embargo, que nada podía adelantar hasta que los hombres de ciencia chilenos examinaran el cuerpo aéreo descubierto en la falda del Volcán Miño, el que bien puede formar parte de las experiencias que algunos países están haciendo con motivo del Año Geofísico Internacional.

Agregó, que luego de confirmar oficialmente la existencia de este artefacto, solicitará a las autoridades que sea trasladado a Santiago para poder someterlo a los exámenes e investigaciones correspondientes, a fin de evitar, que al ser abierto el disco de aluminio que el aparato tenía en su interior, se destruyan los instrumentos que seguramente poseen. Terminó diciendo que una vez realizado esto, el Comité Chileno se pondrá en contacto con los organismos internacionales para informarles del hallazgo de este cuerpo, que seguramente cumplió un objetivo determinado en el espacio.

Sería un Aerosonda

Expertos en aviación dijeron en Santiago, que el aparato encontrado tal vez sea parte de los equipos de los globos sondas que se utilizan para observaciones meteorológicas. Un observatorio de esta naturaleza

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ESTE ES UN AEROSONDA.— El grabado nos muestra uno de los aerosondas que son lanzados periódicamente al espacio para estudiar y fotografiar la atmósfera. Se cree que sea parte del globo de uno de estos aparatos el extraño objeto que fue hallado en el interior de la Provincia de Antofagasta.

Procedencia de Extraño Cuerpo

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existe en Chañaral, cerca de la frontera chilena-boliviana.

Expectación

Antofagasta, 13— (Corresponsal)— Verdadera expectación existe, tanto en el público, como en las autoridades ante el anuncio de que a las 22 hrs. de hoy, llegará a esta ciudad el extraño proyectil, fusiforme, de mil metros de longitud, encontrado por el minero boliviano Candelario González en las inmediaciones de Ollagüe, punto distante 45 kilómetros al noreste de Atacama.

El objeto —según informa la Prefectura General de Carabineros de Antofagasta— está construído de un material parecido al poliestireno, con mucha semejanza al material plástico. Es de un color blanquizco, transparente. En su interior puede observarse una esfera metálica parecida al aluminio, de treinta centímetros de diámetros con una letra T grabada en el fondo.

Candelario Pérez dio cuenta a Carabineros del hallazgo, quienes luego informaron al general Luis Durand, quien de inmediato dio cuenta a las autoridades santiaguinas, tanto de Carabineros, como del Ministerio del Interior.

Toda su configuración —al decir de los autores del hallazgo— hace presumir que el aparato puede volar.

El objeto pequeño encontrado en el interior del proyectil, también es ovalado, tiene 30 centímetros de circunferencia, pesa tres kilos y tiene una argolla de metal. En el borde superior tiene varias tiras de 20 a 25 centímetros de poliestireno.

Carabineros de Atacama y de toda la zona se dirigieron al lugar, corroborando lo afirmado por Candelario González.

Sería un Globo Nylon

Calama, 13— (Correspondal) —Un suboficial del Ejército que vio esta tarde el objeto hallado en Ollagüe expresó, que se trata sólo de un globo nylon de los usados para investigaciones atmosféricas.

El artefacto —que ha conmovido el interés público nacional— fue examinado por oficiales de la guarnición local, cuando llegó a esta ciudad en el tren internacional, desde Bolivia en viaje a Antofagasta.

El sargento Enríquez, jefe de guardia del Regimiento, dijo a LA UNION, que se trata de un globo de nylon de unos 300 metros de circunferencia con una gran letra "T" en la parte superior, añadiendo que tal vez se trata de uno de los artefactos utilizados en las investigaciones del Año Geofísico Internacional.

Añadió, que no trae número ni indicación alguna. Estimó su peso en 300 kgs. afirmó que no contiene instrumento científico alguno.

Antofagasta, 13.— El artefacto descubierto ayer en los faldeos del Volcán Miño, a 45 kilómetros de Ollagüe, fue llevado en las primeras horas de la noche a la Base Aérea de Cerro Moreno.

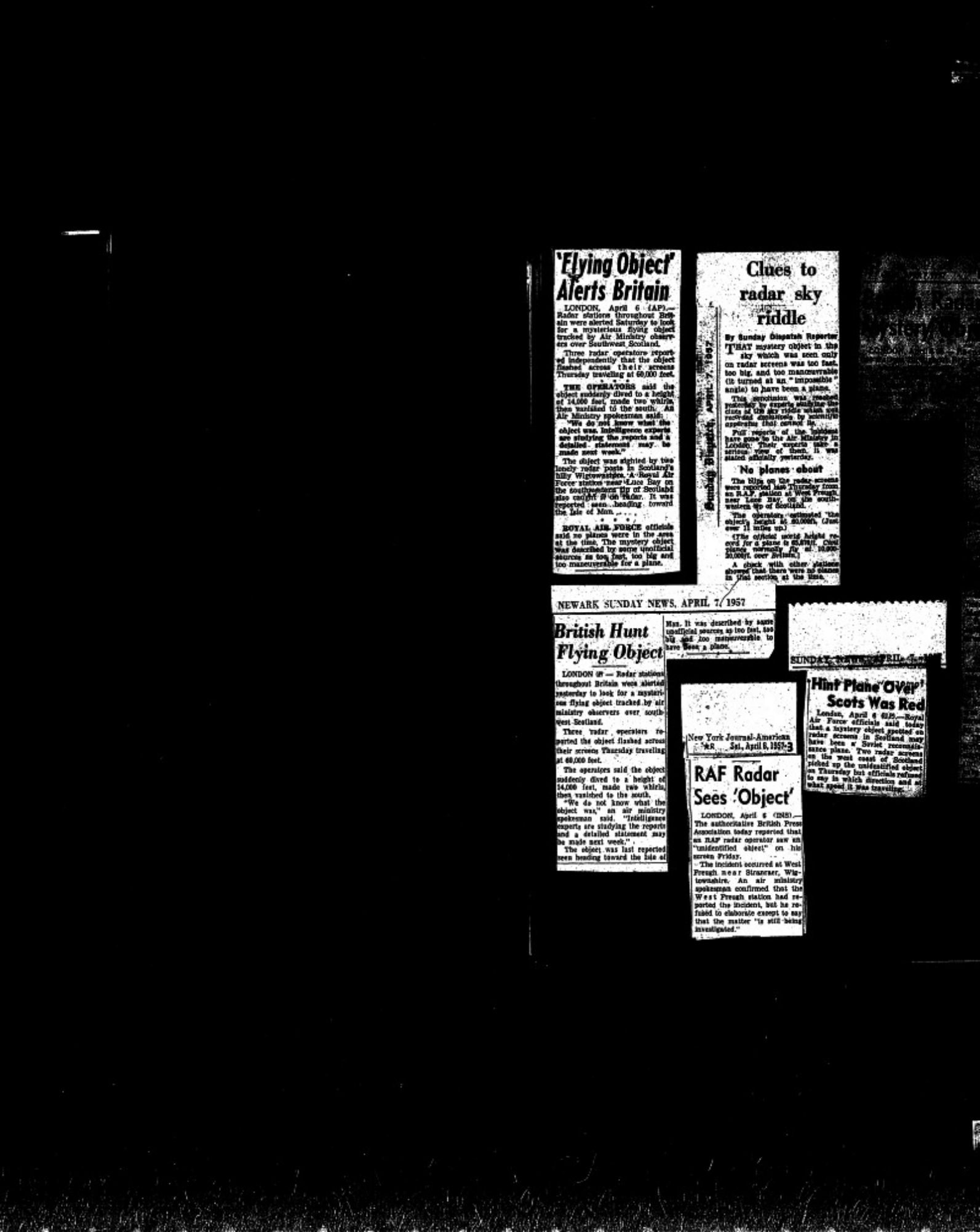
Al parecer, se trata de un gigantesco globo de observación meteorológica, de más o menos 100 metros de diámetro.

El globo, según se informó fue llevado desde Ollagüe a Calama en una bodega sellada del tren de carga N.o 252 y llegó a Calama a las 10.40 horas, siendo depositado en el Regimiento "Calama" de esta ciudad. Posteriormente, fue trasladado a Antofagasta en un carro tres cuartos del Ejército que lo depositó en la Base Aérea de Cerro Moreno, de la Fuerza Aérea de Chile. El vehículo hizo el trayecto Calama. — Antofagasta custodiado por el teniente de Carabineros, Leonidas Arriagada y fue entregado al comando de la Base Aérea.

El globo es una enorme masa de una substancia aislandora de materiales de alta frecuencia, llamado Politeno, que a simple vista tiene las características de un material plástico ó de nylon.

Debido al fuerte viento reinante el globo no pudo ser extendido para conocer concretamente su diámetro. Tiene demostraciones de estar semi-desinflado. Los técnicos de la Base calculan su longitud en mil metros y un diámetro de 140.

Junto al globo hay una pieza metálica parecida al aluminio, donde van embutidos a presión los extremos de la pieza de Poliestireno. En uno de los costados de esa pieza metálica está grabada una letra "T", única seña que tiene. Hay, además, un gancho, que se supone tiene por objeto sostener y suspender el globo cuando éste es inflado.



'Flying Object' Alerts Britain

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"We do not know what the object was. Intelligence experts are studying the reports and a detailed statement may be made next week."

The object was sighted by two lonely radar posts in Scotland's hilly Wigtownshire. A Royal Air Force station near Luce Bay on the southwestern tip of Scotland also caught it on radar. It was reported seen heading toward the Isle of Man.

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ROYAL AIR FORCE officials said no planes were in the area at the time. The mystery object was described by some unofficial sources as too fast, too big and too maneuverable for a plane.

Clues to radar sky riddle

By Sunday Dispatch Reporter

THAT mystery object in the sky which was seen only on radar screens was too fast, too big, and too manœuvrable (it turned at an "impossible" angle) to have been a plane.

This conclusion was reached yesterday by experts studying the clues of the sky riddle which were recorded exclusively by scientific apparatus that noticed it.

Full reports of the incident have gone to the Air Ministry in London. Their experts take a serious view of them. It was stated officially yesterday.

No planes about

The blips on the radar screens were reported last Thursday from an R.A.F. station at West Freugh, near Luce Bay, on the south-western tip of Scotland.

The operators estimated "the object's height at 60,000ft. (Just over 11 miles up.)

(The official world height record for a plane is 65,876ft. Civil planes normally fly at 16,000-20,000ft. over Britain.)

A check with other stations showed that there were no planes in that section at the time.

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NEWARK SUNDAY NEWS, APRIL 7, 1957

British Hunt Flying Object

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The object was last reported seen heading toward the Isle of Man. It was described by some unofficial sources as too fast, too big and too maneuverable to have been a plane.

SUNDAY NEWS, APRIL 7, 1957

'Hint Plane Over' Scots Was Red

London, April 6 (U.P.)—Royal Air Force officials said today that a mystery object spotted on radar screens in Scotland may have been a Soviet reconnaissance plane. Two radar screens on the west coast of Scotland picked up the unidentified object on Thursday but officials refused to say in which direction and at what speed it was traveling.

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RAF Radar Sees 'Object'

LONDON, April 6 (INS)—The authoritative British Press Association today reported that an RAF radar operator saw an "unidentified object" on his screen Friday.

The incident occurred at West Freugh near Stranraer, Wigtownshire. An air ministry spokesman confirmed that the West Freugh station had reported the incident, but he refused to elaborate except to say that the matter "is still being investigated."

SOUCOUPE LANDS BRIEFLY IN PROVENCE

April 14, 1957: At about 3 p.m., Mme. Garcin and Mme. Remi, the wife of the village constable, were walking on Route #24 about half a mile from the village of Vins, near Toulon in southeastern France. To their great astonishment, and not without some alarm, they saw a metallic construction land 100 yards from them. It took off again almost immediately without any sound. They described it as circular in form, about 6 feet in diameter, and surmounted by antennas resembling radar apparatus.

When she had recovered from the shock, Mme. Rami told the authorities - in this case her husband - and immediately advised the police at Brignoles, who quickly arrived on the scene. They found - and recorded in their report - "suspicious traces": the ground was disturbed, and weeds were crushed, at the spot where the two ladies had seen the "saucer" land. Moreover, they were able to find a third witness. A beekeeper, M. Jules Beglio, resident municipal counselor, had not only seen the astonishing thing, but also heard it.

He said that he was on a hill, about 300 yards from the landing spot, when "a loud metallic noise made me turn around. Thinking that two cars must have collided on the road, I ran to see if I could be of any assistance. Then I saw a metallic object make an enormous jump and disappear."

The witness agreed absolutely on the size, thickness, and shape of the object: three feet high, with a very pronounced swelling on the upper surface; Mme. Rami spoke of "a giant top." This "top" had risen vertically, raising a whirlwind of dust, and then had shot off toward the south.

The testimony of the beekeeper conflicted with that of the two women on one point. The women heard no noise. But they stated, however, that the object had landed on the highway before it settled down on the dirt road near them. It therefore seemed reasonable that the sound heard by the beekeeper might have been produced by billboards along the highway, set vibrating by the strong rush of air produced by the craft.

It did not seem possible to question the good faith of the witnesses to this event. They are unanimously respected, and the village people cannot believe that they would conspire to perpetrate a hoax. The Mayor of Vins, M. Ventre, has himself vouched for their respectability.

The "apparition" of Vins has been taken very seriously by a great number of authorities. Technicians from the Research Center at Paris, and from Lyon, came yesterday to investigate, followed by specialists from the Maritime Prefecture of Toulon, from the D. S. T., and from the Security Forces of the 9th Military District. With Geiger counters, magnetometers, and other detectors, they engaged in various operations, whose results they did not divulge.

— From Nice-Matin (Nice, France), 4/20, as reprinted in Alfred Nahon's Courrier Interplanetaire, 5/15/57. We thank Manon Darlaine of Hollywood, Calif., for sending us this issue of the Courrier.

Note

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Ouranos follows these three reports with an article by Jean Champbeyrat, engineer, who cautions that it is difficult, without extensive control experiments, to distinguish between an "ordinary" magnetic effect and an "extraordinary" one, since the nature of the steel alloy, its history, and its position will all affect its observed magnetic properties. He says that a vertical iron fencepost will normally show a "south" pole at the top and a "north" pole at the bottom, and points out that some steel alloys are incapable of retaining any magnetic effects.

APRIL-MAY 1957 - THREE LANDING OR NEAR-LANDING CASES IN FRANCE

In News Letter #9 (p. 25) we mentioned the excellent accounts of three 1957 sightings in France, personally investigated by Jimmy Guieu and Marc Thirouin, whose reports were published in Ouranos #21. The first case was the landing at Vins, in Provence (department of Var), on April 14 (NL #8, p. 13). The second was the extraordinary object seen at Palaldà in southwestern France (department of Pyrenées-Orientales) on April 22, not previously described in this News Letter. The third was the "little-men" report of May 10, at Beaucourt-sur-l'Ancre (department of Seine-et-Oise), north of Paris. (See NL #8, pp. 15-16.)

The stories are noteworthy not only for the events but for the quality of the investigations presented in Ouranos, from which we quote below. Readers who are at home in French are urged to read the original accounts, for the magazine presents sketch maps and photographs, together with a number of other interesting details omitted here for lack of space.

Vins-sur-Caramy - April 14, 1957

Our report in NL #8 was taken from the Nice-Matin of April 20, as reprinted in the Courrier Interplanétaire of May 15, 1957. From the Ouranos account it is clear that the newspaper story was incorrect regarding several aspects of the affair.

The object seen landing on Route D-24 (corresponding to a state highway in the U.S.) was described inexactly by the paper as "a metallic construction, circular in form, 3 ft. high, about 6 ft. in diameter, with a swelling on the upper surface; the witnesses spoke of a 'giant top'; surrounded by antennas resembling radar apparatus." As the sketch shows, the object was conical, with a convex top, and rested on its point. It was about 5 ft. high. From the surface of the cone there projected at right angles many little rods, apparently metallic, which were in rapid vibration.

The object itself made no sound at any time; but as it settled down on the highway, a deafening noise came from a metal road sign about 12" x 30", mounted on a post about 5 yards from the landing spot. This sign shook and vibrated violently, further terrifying the two women who were about 100 yards away - Mme. Rami, wife of the village constable, and her friend Mme. Garcin. (Contrary to the newspaper account, both of the women heard the noise.)

The racket was also heard by M. Jules Beglio, tending his beehives on a hill about 300 yards to the north. Thinking that two cars had collided, he ran toward the highway, and as he ran he saw the object take off. Again there was the loud metallic vibration from the sign. The "cone" swerved eastward, traveling only 15 or 20 feet above the ground, and dropped down again on a dirt road about 200 yards from the place where it had landed the first time. During this brief "hop" it passed above another road sign, which vibrated as noisily as the first. (Note: the Nice-Matin story indicated that the women were on the dirt road when the object appeared first. This is incorrect; they were on the highway.)

The thing then took off again, "pitching from side to side," and flew toward the southeast at moderate speed. The entire affair had lasted about one minute.

Mme. Rami immediately notified her husband, and the constable went to get the police from nearby Brignoles. The two landing spots were examined: on the highway, the ground beside the road seemed to have been violently "swept," as if by a powerful blast of air. On the dirt road the traces were even more conspicuous; the earth was "scoured away" in a circular spot about four feet in diameter.

Three days later Jimmy Guieu, with M. Pierre Ayraud of Radio Monte-Carlo, visited the Brignoles police station as the first step in their investigation. They were shown the official police report on the case - which made it clear that the witnesses were above all suspicion of having perpetrated a hoax. Proceeding to Vins, Guieu

was at first unable to get in touch with the witnesses (by that time they were publicity-shy). Under the skeptical gaze of police, and of a brigadier who insisted that the object was a guided missile, Guieu tested the possibility that the vibration of the signs had been caused by the influence of a magnetic propulsion field. The results were striking.

Guieu first tested his compass at the steel body of his car, which deflected the needle only slightly. He then placed it on the ground exactly where the object had first landed - with no effect on the needle whatever. But as he approached the metal road sign that had vibrated so noisily, the compass showed a deflection of some 15°. The same deflection occurred at the sign above which the object had flown. But a third sign of the same kind, 25 yards from the first landing-spot, did not affect the compass. The second landing-place, in the dirt lane, was also negative; but a 16" iron irrigation culvert, a few feet from the second landing-place, likewise gave a 15° compass deflection.

Back in the village, Guieu found that once the witnesses were convinced that he was not another journalist but a serious researcher they were willing to talk to him. The tape-recorded interview was broadcast that same evening over Radio Monte-Carlo. Guieu states that the case was investigated by the Air Police (equivalent to the AFIC in the United States), but not, as asserted in the Nice paper, by the D.S.T. (equivalent to our FBI).

Beaucourt-sur-l'Ancre - May 10, 1957

Thanks to Michel's personal inquiries, our account of this case was not based entirely on newspaper stories, and requires little correction. Several additional points from the Ouranos article are of special interest, however. For example, the photographs accompanying the article show plainly how close the road is to the window of the kitchen, from which five, and later six people watched, for half an hour, the red-and-white-lighted "object" and the three silhouettes of the "little men," "standing upright and motionless on the road, their arms hanging at their sides, concealed below thigh-level by the roadbank." (During part of the time the figures moved about, with a "tottering" gait, the witnesses told Michel.)

A second interesting fact is that there was another, anonymous, observer of the scene. While those in the kitchen watched the road, an automobile went past. By its headlights, however, the witnesses continued to get a glimpse of the little men, still motionless by the roadside; the driver of this car must certainly have seen the creatures standing there.

Ouranos also discloses that the official "explanation" of the incident, attributed to M. Châtelain, the mayor of the town - namely, that the "light" was a lantern carried by Mme. Châtelain, and that the "little men" were the ones she had gone into the field across the road to look after - was tested. But the attempt to reproduce what the witnesses saw, by using a lantern in the field, demonstrated that no such confusion was possible. Furthermore, the mayor himself, when interviewed by Marc Thirouin, exhibited embarrassment, emphasized his agreement with other neighbors that the witnesses were "sincere, calm, and logical people," and gave the impression that he felt his original signed statements had been somewhat premature.

Finally, Thirouin obtained an interesting report about the next night (May 11-12) from an elderly couple, the Laines, whose house is only about 20 yards from the landing-place on the road. On the night of May 10 the Laines had been asleep and saw nothing. But about 3 a.m. on the night of May 12 M. Laine saw, from the window of the bedroom, "a big orange light, the size of the full moon, shining in a field about 80 yards away. My wife came to the window and saw it too; a few minutes later the light went out, and since we did not see it come on again we went back to bed."

The curious tarry, elastic "plaques" found on the road, around the circumference of a roughly circular area about 5 yards in diameter, were identified as "asphalt used in road-mending," but no one could suggest how they came to be there. Compass

Palalda - April 22, 1957 NL #10 - p.19

Since this case has not been described previously in the News Letter, we give below a practically complete translation of Oudu's article in Ouranos about his personal investigation.

On Monday, April 22, at 1 p.m., M. and Mme. Firmin Basou, farmers of Palalda, were in their cabin beside their cherry orchard. Mme. Basou was washing the luncheon dishes when she became aware of an unusual roaring noise outside. She stepped outdoors to see what caused the noise, and saw an enormous vortex of blue and red flame approaching from the north. At an altitude of only ten or fifteen yards above the ground, it was descending toward their vineyard. It had the appearance of a cone of flames, spinning very rapidly but moving forward slowly. Frightened, Mme. Basou called her husband. They watched the flying object together, as it hovered for about a minute at a point 15 feet from the western edge of the field and 15 feet above the ground. The vine shoots near it were violently agitated, and the soil was set spinning in a cloud of dust that seemed to be sucked up toward the object. Throughout, a deafening uproar was emitted. The vortex then resumed its flight southward above the field, but stopped again after traveling 400 yards and hovered 15 to 30 feet above some cherry trees in a hollow, near a bridge. The branches and foliage of these trees were violently whipped about and "bent back and forth in every direction," until it seemed that the limbs would be torn off. The cone then resumed its slow course and "climbed" a hill - keeping about 30 yards above the ground; but at the top of the hill it rose abruptly into the sky and shot away at prodigious speed toward the southwest.

No solid "machine" was discerned by the witnesses - nothing but a conical vortex of red and blue "flame," the point downward, whose diameter at the top was about 15 feet. The size and shape could not be stated precisely, because some of the "flames" emerged in all directions from the whirl, but in general it was conical.

Where the UFO had hovered in the vineyard, the ground was violently swept about and disordered. The vines were not in the least scorched, although the cone had been only 15 feet above them; so probably the "flames" were not ordinary flames but some form of ionization phenomenon.

About five yards west of this stopping-point runs a metal fence in a very bad state of preservation, consisting of an irregular wire mesh strung on rusty iron uprights of T-shaped cross-section, interspersed with wooden posts. The only fencepost showing magnetism was the iron one closest to the stopping-point, which deflected a compass needle by 30°; the effect was noticeable even a foot away from the post. The other iron fenceposts - the nearest of which is five yards from the magnetized post - caused no compass deviation at all. This tends to show that something unusual had affected the one first examined. Neither was there any residual magnetism detectable in the ground. These tests were made in the presence of Messrs. Jacques Verpillot, Ouranos investigator from Marseille, and Paul Jaubert, retired magistrate and Ouranos correspondent for Palalda.

In company with Dr. Marcel Pagès, Ouranos investigator for Pyrenees-Orientales, M. Verpillot and I visited the police station at Amelie-les-Bains and informed them of this sighting, playing the taped interview with the witnesses for them. The gendarmes told us that the Basous enjoy an excellent reputation in the community, but expressed surprise that the incident had not been reported to them in the first place. We explained that this was because the witnesses had feared ridicule; this fear had been disarmed by the scientific character of our investigation. We assured the police that, on our request, the Basous were willing to give them a complete report. On May 11 the police went to the farm to make inquiries.

This incident presents obvious analogies to that of Vins-sur-Caramy, although at Palalda a cone of spinning flames concealed the body of the machine, and it produced a loud noise. However, "flying saucers" are often masked in a "flaming" aureole or a dazzling luminosity, probably an ionization phenomenon.

It should be mentioned that both at Vins and at Palalda the weather was fine; there is therefore no question of invoking "ball lightning," which occurs only during thunderstorms. (This fact also rules out any identification of this object as a small tornado, a phenomenon rarely seen in Europe.—CSI Editors.)

Fastest British Jets

BOSTON TRAVELER 4-30-57

LONDON (UP)—A Royal Air today only that "one of our radar Force radar station last night screens" sighted the object spotted an "unidentified object" traveling due west near St. Mastreaking over the English chan- garet's Bay. This is about 70 nel so swiftly that two of Bri- miles southeast of London at the tain's fastest jet fighters could bottleneck leading from the not intercept it. North Sea into the English

It was the second unexplained Channel.

sighting in three weeks. A Lon- "Two Javelin fighters were don newspaper suggested the dispatched from Odiham RAF object might be a new-type Rus- [illegible] the object sian bomber operating in We- [illegible] sighting area. The Gloster twin-jet Javelins mentioned are capable of well over 700 miles an hour in level flight.

The Air Ministry announ- [illegible] mi[illegible]

The Air Ministry added that a full scale investigation has been ordered into the latest sighting report. A fuller announcement was expected later.

'Saucer' Is Mirage—in Name Only

By the Associated Press

LONDON, May 8— [illegible] serious flying [illegible] vastly distressed Britis[illegible] lin jets that rushed u[illegible] intercept it over the [illegible] Channel last week was [illegible] fied today as a visito[illegible] France, not from outer [illegible]

The London Evening [illegible] said it was one of F[illegible] new 1100-mile-an-hour [illegible] fighters, the delta-wing [illegible] Mirage, out on a night [illegible]

One of the claims of the Mirage's designers, the Dassault Co., is that the plane is "impossible to catch."

Red Jet? RAF Hunts Fast One

By HENRY MAULE

London, April 30 (Special)—Air Ministry sources speculated today that a mysterious 1,000-mile-an-hour object spotted on radar screens last night over Britain's east coast might have been a new type Russian jet bomber on a training flight.

The unidentified object was first reported at 9 P. M. A squadron of supersonic Javelin jet fighters went aloft to meet it. They never sighted it, possibly because its own radar warned of the oncoming planes. It turned back near Dover and disappeared to the east.

All RAF fighter commands and radar installations remained on the alert today. The RAF was ordered only recently to investigate any unidentified object picked up on the radar warning screen.

[illegible] Apr. 30, 1957

FLYING BOWL PROBED

LONDON (AP) — The case of the strange "flying bowl" sighted in the English sky will get attention in Washington this week, it became known Sunday night when an RAF military spokesman declined comment on the flying saucer, because he said there was no word as yet from Commodore [illegible] RAF [illegible] made on the mysterious object for the U.S. Pentagon. The object reportedly sighted on Monday by British radar [illegible]

Boston Globe 5/1/57

Unidentified Object Too Fast to Contact Mystifies British

LONDON, Apr. 30 (Reuters) — Royal Air Force chiefs tonight studied reports on a mysterious object which flashed on the screens of radar stations along England's south coast last night.

Supersonic Javelin night fighters roared off in pursuit of the object but failed to locate it.

Radar stations estimated the object was flying due west over the English Channel at speeds of up to 800 miles an hour between 46,000 and 48,000 feet.

It was the second time in three weeks that unidentified objects had been picked up on radar screens.

Comanches were the first American Indians to become nomads when they drifted down into Texas and New Mexico in the early 1700's.

Newark Star-

★★★ NEWARK, N. J., WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 19

Mysterious craft chased over Britain

LONDON, April 30 (INS)—The British Air Ministry revealed today that pilots in supersonic fighter planes were dispatched to try to locate a mysterious object reportedly flying over the English Channel last night at a 900-mile per hour speed.

The London Evening News speculated that the object picked up on radar screens might be a new-type Russian long-distance bomber on a training flight.

The object was reported sighted flying at a height of 46,000 to 48,000 feet.

A full report by RAF intelligence officers will be sent to Air Minister George Ward.

See UFO Investigator #1

April 28, 1957. Coromandel, New Zealand. At 4:30 p.m. R. L. Matheson was off Port Charles on the Coromandel coast of New Zealand, in a fishing boat navigating the Rosa from Tauranga to Auckland, when he noticed an irregular smoke trail rising from behind Channel Island. Passing the island, he saw that the smoke was out over Hauraki Gulf. Watching the "maze of smoke trails," he saw a new one, and traced it to an oval, disk-shaped object from which the smoke was streaming. The object, like two saucers fitted together face to face, moved on an irregular, constantly-changing course through the sky, smoke streaming from its sides. The object approached the boat at a slight angle, then tilted steeply and shot upwards, showing a circular shape. For at least 20 minutes Matheson watched as the object, in an area of sky above the setting sun and its glare and below some streaks of high cirrus clouds directly overhead, performed peculiar and rapid gyrations, thrusting through every possible angle. Dark greyish smoke poured from its curving sides, narrowed immediately behind, then broadened into a widening but thinning wake astern. The trails remained for at least ten minutes, patterning the sky; there was no wind to blow the trails. Finally, it levelled out, then moved away rapidly in horizontal flight, passing over the mainland toward Warkworth and Cape Rodney in the upper Hauraki Gulf. Matheson had heard no sound, although he mentions that his boat engine may have obscured any sound.

Matheson was emphatic about the object. "It gave me the unmistakable impression that it was some form of controlled flying machine. ... I want to make that clear. The thing was being flown or directed. Somebody was flying it. ... I saw this object in clear daylight and it made so many movements in the sky, plunging, heeling over, ascending swiftly, and turning through every imaginable angle in its flight, I was able to get an unmistakable impression of its shape. It was a huge disk. Its rapid movements suggested tremendous power."

(FSR March-April 1958, pp. 21-22.)

Pacific Ocean

Two objects "like small moons" were observed June 18, 1957 about 350 miles off San Francisco. Capt. C. O. Wertz, Ray Hutton, electrician, and other crew members of the freighter "Hawaiian Fisherman" at 8:30 p.m., watched the objects pacing the freighter. Then 15 minutes later a third UFO joined the first two, making a V, and followed the ship. [61.]

Smart Set

CHOLLY KNICKERBOCKER SAYS:

'Saucer' Hits The Riviera

CECILY'S CAROUSEL: Lord Eddie Stanley, once wed to Sylvia Ashley Fairbanks Stanley Gable Mayfields—whew!—is being divorced by his third, Theresa Ozanne, daughter of a French general . . . Countess Marie Laure De Noailles heard that a flying saucer had landed at Hyeres on the French Riviera, close to where she was staying. She hurried there, found a small piece of metal and turned it over to the French Naval laboratory at Toulon. Their experts admit it's a metal they've never seen before, and they haven't been able to analyze it.

Mars Visit a Real Flop

ALBERT, France, May 13 (INS).—The mayor of a small village in Northern France told astonished townsfolk today, that was no flying saucer, "that's my wife!"

The entire town of Beaucourt-sur-l'Ancre was thrown into a state of excitement after a "flying saucer" and four weird "Martian visitors" were spotted last night near the railway station.

A man said he was first decided by lights and then saw four little men in pale green clothes moving toward him. Townsfolk reported a machine giving off red and white lights before it took off at a 45-degree angle.

Gendarmes said they found some mysterious congealed black plaques of an "elastic substance."

But Mayor M. Chatelain, according to Agence France Presse, soon explained.

It seems Madame Chatelain, who had been worrying about her mama went to the pasture with a lantern that had one red pane of glass, to see how the animals were.

The four Martians turned out to be the cows. As for the mysterious substance, it left behind—not even the mayor would comment.

New York Journal-American, Sun., May 12, 1957

Visiting Comet Complicates John Steinbeck's Itinerary

By JOHN STEINBECK
(As told to Bob Considine)

FLORENCE—This new comet cluttering the sky over Europe and I guess every place else is having a profound effect on European life and thinking. It is also having a nasty effect on me. Everything is now blamed on this fire-tailed stranger in our galactic midst. And the whole thing proves that the Middle Ages aren't really so far in the past, even from us.

In Italy, all the things that were recently blamed on the Americans and on the hydrogen-bomb tests are now laid where they belong, on the comet. A man upsets his table—it's the comet. The Georgetta he has married his table every payday for 28 years.

Banks are calling loans on the strength of the uncertainty of the comet. A girl can't make up her mind under the comet's influence. The crops are being influenced and retarded and crimped in budding. Motors break down because of the comet.

Mysterious Object

A few nights ago, an unidentified flying object showed on the radar screens over the English Channel and the jet fighters roared up to have a look at it—but they found nothing. Another flying saucer-type object was traced down the whole length of Italy. Both of these phenomena were instantly ascribed to the comet.

I have an old-fashioned stiff neck, and the comet is undoubtedly to blame. I wish it would get the heck back where it came from. There's no telling the trouble it can get us into.

I want to set down what the comet did to me in just one day, and I am just one person. Multiply me by the total population of Europe and you will ask the scientist this misfortune was visited upon entire Spain is causing.

Yesterday I traveled by train from Rome to Florence.

Breakfast in Rome never arrived — comet trouble in the kitchen. Slipped in bathtub and bashed shin painfully. Bath water cold—comet cold. Broke shave lace. Tied it again. Two others not back from laundry. Chicken are one-third chicken. Cuts on arrival, a curious comet side-effect or fallout. Suits won't go in suitcase.

Hat gone — probably flying around saucerpiece. Hotel bill mixed up. I got the bill of a Miss Henry A. Steinbrook. She lives better or at least more expensively than I do. Hall porter had got me the wrong number of clothes for the wrong train going the wrong way. He says if the comet stays around another week, he is going nuts.

Taxi looks down on me on the way to the station. Comet dust in the carburetor. Miss Henry Steinbrook's luggage waiting for me on the platform. Explained route by motorcycle. Train 15 minutes late.

Arrived in Florence in a shellshock. Taxi blew a tire. Comets disintegrate rubber. I pass the cabdriver's wand for 14 cigarettes. Developed stiff neck. Safest place is bed—may be read a little. Lights went out.

Now that is what the comet did in just one person in one day. In a way I guess it's a good thing. Nasser, Dulles, Eisenhower, England, Asmarica, the common cold have been insurance from civilization since this comet appeared. We have to realize that we are all in this together. Naturally, Russia blames us for the comet, but I don't think anyone really believes we are responsible.

London, England

In A Flying Saucer

Amiens, Saturday.

PEOPLE in the village of Beaucourt-sur-Ancre, near Amiens, Northern France, say that a flying saucer landed on a nearby road last night and that four little men dressed in grey were on board.

At first "they" pointed to tracks on the road surface and a black lava-like substance. The people, including the railway station watchman and his wife, made statements. They said the strange was of a reddish colour and that after it took off it hovered for several minutes before disappearing.

Michel Schatz, a 28-year-old Hungarian refugee said he was cycling home when he was forced by a strange projectile. He hid behind a telegraph pole and saw four little men walking along the road.

They came out of hiding and had just reached his bicycle when, as he told the police "the four little men came towards me in a threatening manner."

He pedalled towards the railway station shouting to the watchman "Let me in quickly. A flying saucer has landed and I am being attacked."

This morning the police examined the tracks of the lava-like substance. They made a report — but no statement.—Reuter.

The first version of this story, acc. to phone from Ivan Sanderson, appeared Sat., May 11, on front page of NY Journal-American, & read approximately as follows:

AND NOW IT'S MEN IN GREY

Amiens, May 11 (INS). --French police were investigating a report today that a flying saucer had landed at Beaucourt-sur-Landre.

Villagers said the saucer landed last night with four little men dressed in grey.

Police were examining tracks in the road which villagers said were left by the saucer and its occupants.

ADM called up INS that night about 1 A.M. (or later) and received courteous treatment. After some delay a story was found, which was read over the phone; or word that printed in the same morning's Mirror, below.

SUNDAY NEWS, MAY 12, 1957 • 76

Flying Saucer Just a Lady With a Lamp

Amiens, France, May 11 (Reuters).—Another flying saucer report fizzled out today with a police explanation that excited villagers actually had seen a lantern carried over a hill by a farmer's wife.

The police chief of Albert, a town of 9,000, said tonight: "The whole affair is nothing but a collective hallucination."

He had received telephone calls all day about the reported landing of a saucer in a field near the village of Beaucourt-sur-Lande late Friday night.

Saw "4 Little Men"

The story started at midnight when a Hungarian refugee, Michel Sekete, 29, was "dazzled by a strange projectile" as he was cycling home.

He said he hid behind a telegraph pole and saw "four little men" walking along the road. He said they walked toward him in a threatening manner.

He pedaled fast to the local railroad station shouting: "Let me in quick. A flying saucer had landed and I am being attacked."

Then It Flew Away

Six eyewitnesses, including the station watchman and his wife, made statements to police saying the saucer was of a "reddish color." They said it hovered for a few minutes over the village and then flew off.

The Albert police chief said after investigation that the so-called flying saucer was nothing more than a farmer's wife returning home with a lantern in her hand.

he French Touch—on Saucers

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rmes sped to the scene and found some mysterious congealed black plaques of an "elastic substance" but said there was no further trace of the "Martians."

But when the news of the outer spacemen reached Mayor M. Chatelain, according to Agence France Presse, he exclaimed in surprise—"the flying saucer—that's my wife."

It seems that Mme. Chatelain, who had been worrying about her cows during the night, wandered out to the pasture, with a lantern that had a red pane of glass, to see how the animals were.

The four Martians turned out to be cows and as for the mysterious substance left behind by the "visitors from outer space," the mayor did not not comment.

townsfolk were "astonished" by their mayor's "explanation"; it at some such word as "flabbergasted" would be even more descriptive.)

'LITTLE MEN' AGAIN IN FRANCE

May 10, 1957: At Beaucourt-sur-l'Ancre, France (a small village near Amiens), six people reported a UFO landing and several occupants. According to Reuters, INS, and Paris France-Soir, Michael Fekete, a 29-year-old Hungarian refugee, was bicycling home shortly after 10:45 p.m. when he was suddenly "dazzled by a strange projectile." Approaching him in the road "in a threatening manner" were four "men" between four and five feet tall. They carried a brilliant light, which prevented Fekete from making out any details. He fled on his bicycle to the nearby home of M. Lepot, a railroad signalman. M. Lepot, his wife, and a neighboring couple named Ikhlef who were with them - together with Fekete and an unidentified companion - "plainly saw" from the Lepots' doorstep "a hundred meters away on the road (about 100 yards), three or four little men dressed in grey running about (s'agitaient), illuminated by the light of an object which was emitting red and white rays alternately." Lepot told the France-Soir reporter that "I very distinctly saw a luminous ball giving off red and yellow (sic) rays. The object was moving very slowly. A short time later, I made out the silhouettes of three little men who remained nearly twenty minutes, coming and going in the field and on the road." Apparently, the fourth "little man" reported by Fekete was indistinguishable, as a brilliant light was described which the witnesses said was "flashing a blinding light over the countryside." At about 11:15, the hovering object departed at a 45° angle toward the northnortheast at high speed. According to the press accounts, large black "plaques" of an "elastic nature" were found in the road.

The press dismissed the story lightly, reporting that the witnesses had really seen the daughter (according to INS, the wife) of a neighboring farmer (the mayor, again according to INS) named Chatelain. She had gone out into the field to see to the cows, carrying a lantern with a pane of red glass in it; this was mistaken as the "saucer"; the cows were the "little men." (Mlle. Chatelain herself had seen nothing unusual.)

Aimé Michel investigated this case within 48 hours and has provided us with some additional data. He felt that the witnesses were indisputably sincere. This opinion was shared by the people of the village, but according to the cow-and-lantern theorists, they were mistaken about what they saw. Michael added that Fekete and his unnamed companion "were still trembling with emotion when they talked to me." Because of the bright light carried by one of the four beings, Fekete was unable to describe them in detail. What he saw was the maximum description: four silhouettes, 4 to 5 feet tall, rather broad bodies, color grey or beige, the head black and broad. They walked with a "tottering" gait. The others described seeing, no nearer than 60 yards, three little men and one light, moving on the road and in the field, between 10:50 and 11:15 p.m. Michel also ascertained that "the farm girl in question remained in the field above the road from 10:10 to 10:50 or 10:55 p.m." One of the witnesses said to Michel that "if it was the farm girl who was running so fast with the lantern, she ought to enter the Olympic games."

Regarding the black "plaques" found in the road, Michel writes: "At first sight one thinks on an intense heating of the road in a circle of about 3 yards and of an internal melting of the tar, which seems to have flowed. But this is uncertain. The road is lightly traveled. These plaques may have been left by the road-making machines which often pass by. Nobody in the village is able to recall whether or not these plaques were there before the incident."

Michel has no personal opinion about the case. He found it impossible to decide; but "there is a presumption in favor of the witnesses."

-- Besides Michel's letters, sources include the N. Y. Sunday News, 5/12 (Reuters); N. Y. Journal American, 5/12 (INS); N. Y. Sunday Mirror, 5/12 (INS); London News of the World (Reuters), 5/12; and France Soir (Paris), 5/14.

Translation from France-Soir (Paris), Tuesday, May 14, 1957

The "Flying Saucer" of Beaucourt-sur-l'Ancre Divides Village Into Two Factions

A scene worthy of the best science fiction occurred in a Somme [district] village, where six people claim they saw four strange little beings, one of whom was flashing a blinding light over the countryside, at the same time as a luminous ball appeared. This happened last Friday-Saturday night (May 10-11) between 10:45 and 11:15 p.m., hardly a hundred meters from the railway station at Beaucourt-sur-l'Ancre. A worker, M. Michael Fekete, a Hungarian refugee, passing on the road, was "attacked" by "Martians" and sounded the alarm to five other people.

They say: "When M. Fekete called us, we plainly saw, a hundred meters away on the road, three or four little men dressed in grey running about (s'agitaient) illuminated by the light given off by a craft which was emitting alternately red and white rays."

M. & Mme. Chatelain say: "At that time our daughter was inspecting the cattle in the fields, at the same place the so-called Martians appeared. She was carrying a large hurricane lantern to light her way."

(Under 1st picture) Mme Lepot, 27, the mother of three children: "I was looking after my sick little girl when I heard M. Fekete, who was yelling outside 'Quick, come look—I have just been attacked!' I went out and I saw a formidable light..."

(Under 2nd picture) M. Lepot, 30, S.N.C.F. railway signal man, was in his house. After putting out the light, he went out on his doorstep: "I saw very distinctly a luminous ball giving off red and yellow rays. The craft was moving very slowly; it was as big as that (sic). A short time later, I made out the silhouettes of three little men who remained for nearly twenty-minutes, coming and going in the field and on the road."

(3rd picture) Mme. Ikhlef, 26, lives on the road a hundred meters from the site of the apparition. She and her husband were with M. Lepot: "They are laughing at us in the village but that's natural. Previously, I didn't believe in f.s. either."

(4th picture) M. Chatelain, farmer, who was in the field: "Pardon me if I laugh; the flying saucer was my daughter's lantern."

May 23, 1957

B-Sur 1[illegible]: I went in person to inquire less than 48 hrs after the incident, & here are my observations: magnetism: is normal in the wire of the fences; no information on that score. Traces on the road: a) Automobile brake-marks without any suspicious character. b). Vast plaques of melted tar. This is more curious. At first sight one thinks of an intense heating of the road in a circle of about 3 meters, and of an internal melting of the tar which seems to have flowed. (The road is lightly traveled.) But this is not certain. These plaques may have been left by the road-making machines which often pass by. In the village nobody is able to recall whether or not these plaques there before the incident.

Witnesses: Incisputably sincere. Besides, nobody doubts this in the village, but the partisans of the cow and intern theory think they made a mistake about what they saw. The Hungarian and his friend were still trembling with emotion when they talked to me. What they saw: the Hungarian: a) Being alone, four little men on the road. He could not distinguish any detail, because one of these little men shone a blinding light on him. Max. description: Silhouettes, 1.2 - 1.5 meters high(47 to 59 inches), rather broad (large), color grey or beige, the "head" black and broad (large). The gait tottery (démarche dandinante.) This is all. b) Being about 60 meters away with the 6th witnesses: 3 little men, and one light, which moved upon the road from 10:50 to 11:15 p.m. Then the light departed toward the sky at a high speed, leaving the ground. Remark of 1 witness: if that was the farmer girl running so fast as that with her lantern, she should enter the Olympic games. The farmer girl in question remained in the field above the road from 10:10 to 10:50 or 55 approximately. She saw nothing.

My personal opinion: none. It is impossible to decide, but there is a presumption in favor of the witnesses.

FRANCE-SOIR — Mardi 14 Mai 1957 — TROIS CCB

La « soucoupe volante » de Beaucourt-sur-l'Ancre divise le village en deux clans

Mme LEPOT, M. LEPOT ET Mme IKHLEF Y CROIENT

M. CHATELAIN N'Y CROIT PAS

Copies to: CRIFO, NICAP, and UCB.

C53 1957 Stafford, England.

May 12th., a lunar eclipse in progress: time, 8.30 to 9.00 p.m. G.M.T.: U.F.O., "silver cylinder with tapered ends, hovered 15 min., then arced downwards to lower altitude and hovered again for several mins. more. As it moved it glowed bright yellow at rear end - glow died away as it became stationary": distance, about 3 miles: height, probably not less than 30,000 feet: direction, N.W. of Stafford: last seen dwindling into distance away from observers. Witnesses: at Cromer Street, Stafford, Mrs. Violet Wilding, Mrs. Una Daniels, Mr. Ray Daniels, group of children: at Newport Road, Stafford, Anthony A. Rosenburg: at Victoria Road, Stafford, Miss Joyce Pennels and her mother: at Stone, 8 miles N. of Stafford, Mr. and Mrs. E.E. Elphee, 56, The Filleybrooks, Stone: at Gailey Cross Roads on highway A.5 (Watling Street, to Holyhead) Mrs. Elaine Hooley, Resident Caravan Sight, Gailey near Penkridge, Staffs. Also a witness at Cromer Street was Mrs. Jennie Rosenburg, while her husband was out at Newport Road.

Credit: Wilfrid Daniels, Stafford, England.

RIO DE JANEIRO (National Capital, Brazil), July 3, 1957—For ab. 40 minutes at night, passengers and the crew of an airliner belonging to the Brazilian "Real Airlines" which was regularly flying from Rio to Belo Horizonte (Capital of the State of Minas Gerais), saw a UFO at the same direction of the plane. The object disappeared when the airliner was coming in over Rio de Janeiro.

According one of the sighters, Sr. Germano da Silva, at the moment in which the UFO crossed speedily above the plane, were seen quite clearly three lights forming isosceles triangles. was seen more something as a solid bulge appearing to be a flat disk.

Sr Germano da Silva, who is the Hôtel Atlântico's manager at Rio, said: "I always laughed of flying saucers, but now I don't laugh any more. I don't know whether or not I saw a flying saucer, but I'm sure saw something quite different and new."

VITÓRIA (Capital of the State of Espírito Santo, Brazil), July 4, 1957— A strange unknown flying object followed today the PRUP of the "Real Airlines" in its regular flight from Rio de Janeiro to Vitoria. The weird object was seen leaving the clouds at 8 miles from Campos city, and followed the airliner at distance, sometimes in front, sometimes behind in great speed. Com. Delgado, the rest of the crew, and all passengers testified as strange occurrence.

The object was round shaped with a salient part on the top, and emitted an intense light from the upper and lower parts. When the UFO entered a cloud some sort of illuminated holes, or circles were seen, but when leaving the cloud such vivid lights wiped out.

At the surroundings of Guaraparí city, the UFO disappeared.

Interviewed: Commander Delgado, co-pilot Giocondo, telegraphist Walker, and the commissioner Carvalho. Passengers: [illegible] Pinho, Antonio [illegible], Naval Chamber, [illegible] Janeiro, Francisco Michel, Nestor Pereira, Peter Lessov, and Maj. Luiz Heller, and [illegible].

Ted:
I'll answer your letter soon.
Best wishes,

Long Beach, Calif.
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Foreign
JUL 22 1957

By TED THOMEY

Another flying saucer?
No kidding, it's true!
[illegible] saw one early night now at Kitwe in Northern Rhodesia. But folks aren't getting very excited, even if they do have flying [illegible] up the sky.

"FLYING SAUCERS just don't have it any more," commented Jack Rogers, foreman at a Kitwe copper mine. "I'll admit we watch 'em every night, though. We figure if we sweat long enough maybe some night we'll see something real interesting—like a flying cup of coffee."

Honolulu, Hawaii
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JUN 26 1957

'Flying Saucers' Are Reported

Two residents of Mott-Smith Drive reported seeing what appeared to be a "flying saucer" rise from Diamond Head at about 2:05 p.m. yesterday (Tuesday.)

The two, Stephen Meredith, 2052 Mott-Smith Drive, and Edward Morgan III, 2046 Mott-Smith Drive, were standing in front of Morgan's place when they saw the disk.

It seemed to rise straight up, turned over, and then disappeared, Meredith reported.

He said it looked like a white disk, but when it turned over it was black underneath.

The Air Force here said it had no information on unidentified objects in this area.

Massive Meteor Lights Isles

Hawaii — Night of July 7-57

3 Air Line Pilots Report Giant Flash

A gigantic meteor plunged into the earth's atmosphere over the Islands last night and vaporized with an intensity that "practically lit up the whole Island of Maui."

Three Hawaiian Airlines pilots flying on separate flights reported the "huge flash" at the same time—10:35 p.m.

Two of the pilots said they saw the fireball from the Big Island, and the other reported it from Maui.

Accounts were received by the staff at Honolulu's Airport's control tower, who themselves did not see the flash.

Captain W. L. Young was taxiing his plane on the runway on Maui for a takeoff for Honolulu when he saw the meteor.

'ORANGE-RED TAIL'

"It had a tremendous orange-red tail on it and exploded in a huge white flash. It looked like a ball of fire with a tremendous tail," he said.

"It made the sky so brilliant I could see the mountains ten miles away as if it were daylight. Even Mount Haleakala was clear as day—and that's a good 20 miles from the airport."

Commented E. H. Bryan, curator of the Bishop Museum:

"I didn't see this myself, but it sounds like a meteor—a bolide—that entered the earth's atmosphere and vaporized from the heat."

Bryan estimated the object was traveling at "thousands of miles a second."

'QUITE A DENT' POSSIBLE

"In all the times I've been here (41 years) I have never heard of anything matching the magnitude of this meteor—it would have made quite a dent in the landscape if it hit us," he added.

Captain Robert Barnes said the flash lasted about "three seconds" when he spotted it as he flew 4,000 feet over Hilo.

On a different flight, Captain Richard Barcinski said he saw the flash 8,000 feet over Hilo, approaching the Big Island.

At Maui, Captain Young said the fireball looked like a rocket, with a "tremendous trailing tail."

A Coast Guard spokesman said reports from Hilo and Maui airports

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HONOLULU, HAWAII, U.S.A. FRIDAY, JULY 12, 1957

Meteor Enters TV Pictu

By CHARLES TURNER

When a massive meteor plunged into the skies over Hawaii last Sunday night, it may have helped pioneer an electronic first for an Island radio man.

It may also mean direct-from-the-Mainland telecasts.

The man responsible is Ralph E. Thomas, engineer-in-charge of the RCA transmitter at Kahuku.

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MR. THOMAS, an amateur radio operator (KH6VK) has been experimenting with very high frequency signals for several months.

These are the same signals used in television.

He told the Hawaii section of the Institute of Radio Engineers at their meeting Wednesday night that he was able to contact a California amateur radio operator at approximately the same time as the meteor flared over the Hawaiian Islands earlier this week.

He was able to contact John Chambers of WENLZ near Long Beach, Calif., after experiments which had been underway since last November.

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ELECTRONICS men said it was the first time such contact had been made between Hawaii and the Mainland. They said it could have been caused by one of two things: freak atmospheric conditions or a meteor shower.

Whatever the cause, it was considered a remarkable "first" for Hawaii electronics men.

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IT WAS also cause for speculation that someday Hawaii might be able to get direct television broadcasts from the Mainland.

Mr. Thomas won the American Radio Relay League's merit award last year for his work in meteor scatter experiments.

He is continuing his experiments and branching out into the field of lunar communications (bouncing signals off the moon).

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THE TIE-IN between Sunday's meteor shower and Mr. Thomas' electronic experiments gave the Institute of Radio Engineers a good sendoff for their forthcoming Symposium on Long Haul Communications.

The symposium, to be held at the Hawaiian Village on Aug. 27-29, may draw up to 1,000 delegates on a post-convention trip of the West Coast Electronics Convention, to be held a week earlier in San Francisco, according to Robert Hill, symposium chairman.

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LONG HAUL communications (long distance type) to be discussed at the symposium will include those used by the military as well as by civilians.

Field trips are scheduled to major Navy, Army and Air Force communications centers on Oahu.

In addition, the delegates will visit the cable-laying ships HMCS Monarch and Layer, which will be in Hawaii at the time.

THE FINAL panel in the symposium will deal with scatter communications and other latest developments. Maj. Gen. (ret.) Edmond H. Leavey, president of International Telephone and Telegraph Co., is invited to be one of the speakers. He has been a frequent visitor to Hawaii.

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3 Flying Saucers Seen By Savanne Forester

Wed., July 24, 1957

The Detroit Times

RCAF Probing Mystery Ball of Fire

TORONTO, July 24 (AP)—The ground observer corps of the Royal Canadian Air Force for the last month has been tracking a mysterious flying object and has orders to keep close watch on it. Chief Observer Herb Harrison for the suburban Don Mills area says:

"It's like a little ball of fire. It keeps shifting from north to east to west to south. We have no idea what it is."

St. Paul (Minn.) Dispatch
TUESDAY, JULY 9, 1957

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LIGHTS 10-MILE AREA—

Big Meteor Bursts Over Hawaii

HONOLULU, T. H. (AP)—A meteor so big "it would have made quite a dent in the landscape if it had hit us" burst over Hawaii Sunday night with a flash that "practically lit up the whole island of Maui."

"It had an orange-red tail and exploded in a huge white flash," said Capt W. L. Young, Hawaiian air lines pilot.

Young said he spotted the "ball of fire with a tremendous tail" as he was taking off from Maui airport on Maui Island southeast of Honolulu.

He said the explosion "made the sky so brilliant I could see the mountains 10 miles away as if it were daylight."

E. H. Bryan, curator of Bishop museum, said that "in my 41 years I have never heard of anything matching the magnitude of this meteor. It would have made quite a dent in the landscape if it had hit us."

Mystery Racing Around in Sky

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Follow That Fireball?

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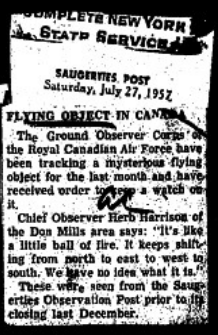
Typical Canadian Sightings

July 9, 1957: An attorney in Hamilton, Ontario, with another witness watched a glowing white elliptical object speed overhead from SW to NE, about 9:05 p.m. [3]



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FLYING OBJECT IN CANADA

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These were seen from the Saugerties Observation Post prior to its closing last December.

Los Angeles Herald: 26 July 57

SPOTTERS TRACK "FLYING OBJECT"
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MID NEWS BRIEFS
TAIPEI, FORMOSA, JULY 14-(REUTERS)-THE OBSERVATORY HERE APPEALED TODAY FOR WITNESSES TO VERIFY REPORTS THAT A "FLYING SAUCER WITH A GREEN BODY AND FLAMING TAIL" SWEPT ACROSS FORMOSA SKIES LAST TUESDAY.

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FOR YOUR INFORMAION

TAIPEI CENTRAL NEWS IN ENGLISH MORSE TO AGENCY OFFICES AT 0910 7/14, REPORTS THAT THE TAIWAN OBSERVATORY IS INVESTIGATINGA A MYSTERIOUS FLYING OBJECT WHICH IS REPORTED TO HAVE SWEPT OVER TAIWAN JULY 11 AT SUPERSONICE SPEEDS. THE FLYING OBJECT HAD A GREEN OR BLUE LIGHT AT THE TAIL AND HAD AN ESTIMATED SPEED OF TWO OR THREE TIMES THAT OF SOUND.

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TOKYO, JULY 27-(REUTERS)-JAPANESE FLYING SAUCER ENTHUSIASTS TODAY CELEBRATED THE FOURTH INTERNATIONAL FLYING SAUCER SIGHTING DAY.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE JAPANESE SOCIETY SAID TRAINED OBSERVERS HAD TAKEN UP POSITIONS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND IT WAS HOPED THAT "SIGHTINGS WOULD BE GOOD."

THE THIRD INTERNATIONAL FLYING SAUCER SIGHTING DAY, WHICH WAS THE FIRST TIME JAPANESE OBSERVERS HAD TAKEN PART IN THE INTERNATIONAL EVENT WAS HELD JUNE 8.

JAPANESE OBSERVERS CLAIMED THEN THAT "TWO FLYING OBJECTS" WERE OBSERVED IN FUKUOKA IN NORTHERN JAPAN.

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UFO-CRITICAL BULLETIN

J. Escobar Faria, Ed. - Rua 13 de Maio, 1240
SÃO PAULO, Brazil, South America

From J. Escobar Faria

"UFO-Critical Bulletin" Ed.

BRAZIL IS NOW IN FOCUS AGAIN BY THE UFOs

ANAPOLIS (State of Goiás, Brazil)—Meridional Agency, Aug. 5, 1957—Strange sighting has been happened over "Gabiroba" farm (district of Niquelândia, State of Goiás), belonging to Srs. Antônio Santinoni and Sebastião de Oliveira.

At the door of the farm's house, the owners were chatting with some friends when a throwing light from the space blinded them. They thought the light was coming from some plane, but since there wasn't any noise, the most audacious amongst them attempted to approach at a strange craft, round shaped and quite booming. But at that moment such an object wiped out its lights, and disappeared.

From the UFO, the beam ab. 32 inches showed a green color at the core, and a yellow one around the periphery.

Africans Report Flying Saucers

KITWE, Northern Rhodesia (AP)—They're seeing flying saucers again, this time over Central Africa. They are discs, having flaming tails, and go like sixty.

Copper miners in six camps in this region claim they have seen them. Some suspect nosey visitors from outer space are looking in on uranimum refining operations, begun in Rhodesia only recently.

Both airline and military pilots in Brazil have often reported UFOs:

June 30, 1957. An airliner enroute from Belo Horizonte to Rio de Janeiro, at 6:30 p.m., encountered a glowing red-orange disc-like object. Capt. Saul Martins later told the press the UFO maneuvered all around the DC-3, pacing it, flying above and below it. One of the many passengers who also witnessed the object was a renowned Brazilian writer, Prof. Aires de Mafa Machado Filho. [18]

July 4, 1957. A REAL Airlines plane enroute from Campos to Victoria, capital of Espirito Santo State, was paced by a circular UFO. The pilot, Cmdr. Delgado, said that when his plane and the UFO were passing through clouds, brightly lighted apertures like windows became visible on the object. When they left the clouds, these markings disappeared. The UFO had raised portions on top and bottom. [See Section IX; Patterns].

August 14, 1957. Near Joinville, at 8:55 p.m., a Varig Airlines C-47 enroute from Porto Alegre to Rio de Janeiro was approached by a luminous object. The pilot, Cmdr. Jorge Campos Araujo, said his co-pilot first noticed the UFO pacing the plane to the left. As they watched, the UFO suddenly sped ahead and crossed just in front of the plane. Then it hovered briefly, and dove into the undercast at about 5,700 feet. (The plane was flying at 6,300 feet). At the moment when the strange object hovered briefly, the engines of the airliner began coughing and missing, and the cabin lights dimmed. When the UFO moved away, the aircraft electrical system returned to normal. [See Section VIII; Electro-Magnetic Effects].

Cmdr. Araújo described the UFO as "shaped like a saucer with a kind of cupola or dome on top of it. The whole cupola glowed with an intense green light. The flattened base glowed with a less intense yellowish luminosity." [19]

Disco-voador na praia de São Sebastião

O dr. João de Freitas Guimarães confirma ter viajado naquela aeronave

Não compareceu ao reencontro com os marcianos por motivos de força maior — Declarações do professor e advogado santista, ontem, descrevendo o que viu

O dr. João de Freitas Guimarães, quando fazia a sua explanação, vendo-se, ao lado, o radialista Ibrahim Maud, e seu filho, dr. Gilberto de Freitas Guimarães

Santos, 14 (Dep. A GAZETA) — A história dos discos voadores tem atraído, ultimamente, a atenção do mundo inteiro. [illegible]

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SAYS HE SAW FLYING SAUCER FOR 45 MINUTES

Jack Stephenson says he saw a flying saucer and no one can convince him to the contrary. He says he saw the saucer hover within two feet of the ground as he was walking four miles outside Galt, Ont. The saucer, he says, had a "round spinning body" and the top was "bright" and did not revolve." He watched it for 45 minutes as it hovered like a helicopter then it "just climbed away without a sound, then zoomed over the lake and away. It vanished entirely." He said the area where the saucer came closest to the ground was charred and showed prints of huge feet.

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NEWS
Detroit, Mich.
July 30, 1957

JACK AND THE 'SPACEMEN'

Slightly Saucer-Eyed

(Special to The Detroit News)

GALT, Ont., Aug. 3—Fifteen-year-old Jack Stevens, who says his eyes are as good or better than anybody else's, is sure he has seen a flying saucer.

And no matter what older people say, Jack is sticking to his story. He lives on a farm a mile outside the city about 50 miles southwest of Toronto.

DOG YELPS

"I'm not sure if it was the noise or the bright light that made me look up," Jack said.

"My dog Tex was really barking and yelping. The saucer made a queer kind of singing hum. I thought it was a plane at first or even a helicopter."

Jack said he was about 300 yards away while the saucer hovered over a corn field.

"It must have stayed in the air about 40 minutes before landing," he said.

Harold Milroy examines a mystery "footprint" at "flying saucer" site.

"It was about 40 feet in diameter and had a turret and port holes. It was silver colored. When it hit the ground I got scared and ran home. Tex was right behind me."

All this took place Tuesday afternoon, the boy said. He said nothing when he got home. He related:

"But the next day I got to wondering about the saucer. My eyes are as good as anybody's. I wanted to make sure I wasn't seeing things."

RETURNS TO SCENE

So with a friend, Harold Milroy, along to bolster his courage, Jack returned to the scene of the saucer landing.

There the two found a burned circle and two three-toed prints in a corn stubble field.

"If it's a hoax, I don't know how it could be done," said G. S. Knapp, owner of the farm.

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He pointed to six or eight patches which appeared to have been burned. "If they were caused by a field fire, the whole area would have been destroyed," he said.

LONG FOOTPRINT

The so-called footprints are 10 inches wide at the toes, about 18 inches long and tapers to a point at the rear. Newsmen at the scene said the marks must have been made by a heavy object in order to force down the corn stubble two inches into the ground.

After making his find Wednesday, Jack still said nothing until yesterday when he went to the local newspaper office. His story was published today.

OFFICERS SILENT

Police and Royal Canadian Air Force officers made no comment.

"I guess we have to look at it this way," said one farmer with a smile. "Until proven otherwise, it just might have been a saucer."

"I only wish Tex could talk," Jack said as he petted his dog. "He also must have seen it."

A strange direction for a bolide, captured satellite, or other assorted spacial junk to take in view of the accepted direction of "spin" of the earth. Was it by day or by night ? Half a mile up isn't very far. Forty minutes seems to me to be excessive impudence. Where was Sr. Don Simoes ?

Ivan.

Saucer Over Brazil

Anapolis, Brazil, Aug. 9 (Special).—Hundreds of persons reported today seeing a luminous flying saucer hover 40 minutes about a half mile above the central Brazilian city. The witnesses said the saucer disappeared toward the Atlantic Coast.

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Incident occurred Tues, July 30, 1957

BOY SEES "FLYING SAUCER" LAND

Burned Patches, Huge Footprints At Scene

By ROY FRANCIS

A horrifying, spine-tingling experience, seldom if ever within a human's ken, was the lot of a 13-year-old Galt boy three days ago. The boy, Jack Stephenson, of 61 Stanley street, claims he saw a "flying saucer" land within 300 yards of him.

Out walking with his dog "Tex" around 10.30 a.m. Tuesday, the youth said he saw a bright flash circling off the Paris highway, four miles from Galt. Hovering briefly, it dropped into a wood-encircled gully right before his eyes!

Could it all be fiction? We wondered, but young Jack took us to the scene on Friday afternoon.

Maybe it's imagination, maybe somebody cooked it up! If they did, they went to a lot of trouble - for there are two huge prints of terrifying dent, or claws on the spot, also several charred, burned areas of ground in the grain field.

DOG BARKED

"I was just plain scared," said my dog started and barking so much I thought they might bite," said Jack, a tall, dark-haired boy who seems he'd not be given to flights of fancy.

"No, I didn't see anything get out," he said, "I was beside a tree on the hill."

But what about the prints? Jack watched the silvery, glistening object for 45 minutes, he said, frozen in cold fear. Then, as quickly as it came, the strange visitor shot upwards, sped off with tremendous acceleration. "It just rose up and disappeared in the same direction it came."

Young Jack, afraid to say anything, finally told his mother. He still hadn't told his father on Friday.

But he told friends Gerry Pawelka, 14, and Danny Oliver, 14. On Thursday morning, the three timidly went out in the country to the spot where he'd seen the queer aircraft.

Said young Gerry, "We thought maybe Jack was kidding us. But when we saw those prints - wow!"

When "Tex" started to bark at something in the bushes, the three took off helter-skelter. That's how they felt - dabbling in the unknown, with things maybe beyond even mortal men.

We trudged with Jack across a half-dozen fields, over the old Alps road, west of Galt. About midway between the farms of Harvey Milroy and Silas Knapp, we came to the gully, lying between two tiny lakes. Fifty yards away is a huge hydro line tower. Bales of cut grain were scattered about.

There were the burned patches, the fence-lined prints. Could they have been made by exhausts of a "flying saucer", by the sulphurous limbs of some soul-searing spaceman?

"I can't understand it, really," said Jack, his face serious. "No one seemed to get out." However, he admitted the lower portion of the object was partially hidden by a low hill.

With his friend Gerry, Jack came to the Evening Reporter office. "Boy," we said, "this seems like the king of all the tall tales". But we went out - and we say. Maybe we still aren't convinced, but it's hard to disprove too.

"It caught my eye," he said, explaining the startling occurrence on Tuesday. "I had just walked along the side of a field, near the one lake." After some thought, he believed it might have been 1,000 feet up or so. "I just figured it was a plane. Then I heard the humming, like a ball swung around on an elastic! I stopped and watched it come closer."

"No, I never saw one before," he grinned, after a question. Then he allowed: "This gave me a shock. It got lower and lower very quickly, swooped over the lake, then seemed to hang in the air, I could see, it was silvery, like a disc."

The youth said the upper portion seemed like a bright metal barrel, while the general round body was less bright. "A little duller. The aluminum maybe", he explained, his brows knit. "And I could see lights, but as the movement slowed down I noticed there were ports about every few feet."

"Could you see anything in the portholes?" we said.

"No", asserted Jack. "Just that light came through". He added. "But I'm surprised the whole field didn't burn up".

"Why is that?" we asked.

FLASHES FROM BOTTOM

"Well, I saw flames came out the bottom, while it was on the ground", he said. "Funny, there weren't any before it landed—and the flames stopped as it began to rise again". Later, he remembered the aircraft had not fully reached the ground. "It seemed to be about two feet up, just stationary".

Jack wondered if the "little men" (we were joking) had wanted to examine the hydro tower nearby. We made a search, but could find no prints at burned patches. Stubble and grain stalks in the burned patches were black and powdered—evidence of a lot of heat! Who can say? Was it all for real?

Standing there, the youth pointed to one patch. "As near as I can figure, this patch might have been about the centre". He estimated the size of the space ship (if it was) at about 30-35 feet in diameter. "I thought it was the size of a house", he grinned ruefully. "I was scared. Wouldn't you be?" We fervently agreed. "But it wasn't, that high, I guess".

"No noise came from the thing while it was there", he said, thinking again. "No doors opened, or anything". He couldn't figure the prints. They are about 18 inches long—very weird-looking. There is a sort of large palm and three toes or claws.

TRIED TO TAKE CAST

We asked him about a light-coloured powder around the one print. He stirred, blushed. "That's where we tried to take a cast of the thing in plaster". A remembered. "But it didn't work". He said the other hadn't been touched. "Except for my dog running around there—Tex was really excited about it".

In a nearby bush, or small copse, a number of small trees and limbs had been snapped off. "The underside of the craft, or saucer, would have come about there when it settled", he said. A nearby bush was also ripped into partitles.

"I was too scared to tell anyone at all", he repeated. "Then I told my mother, also the boys". He said he came to the newspaper as the police might not be interested.

However, in cases of "flying saucers" everyone is interested. No one knows if they exist, or where they are from if they do. Are they from some misty, fantastic world millions of light years away, which assumes some horrible form of life?

Yet Jack is firm on what he saw.

"Are you sure this just isn't a gag you boys dreamed up?" we said, cynical as ever. His face didn't change. "No sir, mister—it's no gag", he blurted out. "I saw it, and my eyes are pretty good", so that's the tale Jack told.

If he saw the thing, the "flying saucers" have made a first-contact into the Galt area. We asked farmer Harvey Milroy if he or anyone had seen anything odd, unusual in the skies. He looked as if we were crazy! "None, not a thing", he said. But could such a machine have swooped, at super speed, down from the heavens and landed without being seen? Maybe it could. If Jack is not quite someone, someone saw it. He did.

"I Will Never Forget It, I Was Petrified," Boy Says

By JACK STEVENS
as told to Roy Francis

Young Jack, a 15-year-old Galt boy, told us on Friday that he'd actually seen a flying saucer land three days before. This is what happened, according to him. Jack is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Stephenson.

I know I'll never forget it, that's all. I was petrified, once I saw what it was! So I just stood and watched it settle. Minutes went by and I couldn't move. No one came out—or anything. Then it began to lift, cut away across the small lake. That's the last I saw of it. I was glad to see it go.

Well, I was out with Tex, my dog, when it happened. Sometimes I go out in the country, near the Paris highway, on my bike. Other times I cut across country, walking with Tex.

It was just on 10.30 in the morning, I'd imagine. I had got on the hills near the farm (owned by Harvey Milroy) and walked along one fence. It's about four miles from Galt, about four fields from the highway. Two small lakes lie down in some lower ground. I stopped by a tree, just taking a breather.

SAW BRIGHT LIGHT

I'm not sure if it was the noise, or if I first saw the light. But I did look up, past the tree, and saw a kind of bright light. It was moving quickly. At first, I figured it was a plane . . . then I saw it had an odd shape, sort of circular! And there was a queer, singing kind of hum, like a vibration!

I stared at it. The machine dipped across the one small lake, from the northeast, I guess, then paused above a gully—about 300 yards from me! The top was bright and it didn't revolve, but the wide, round body was spinning very fast. As I watched, it hovered, then dropped down like a helicopter! I saw light around it, but as the speed lessened they became sort of portholes. I couldn't see anything, but light was inside.

TOO SCARED TO RUN

I was too scared to run . . . and I worried in case they heard Tex. He was barking and yelping fit to kill. Nothing came out of the white-colored machine, not in the time I stood there. And that must have been about 45 minutes. I couldn't see any hatches or doors. I guess I was praying nothing would come out. There was no sound from the thing at all. . .

As it came down, there was no flame . . . but I could see a red flame out the bottom as it hovered about two feet above the ground. Some part of it was out of my sight, below a hill. It looked as big as a house, but I think it was maybe 30-35 feet wide, maybe ten or 12 feet high. Later, as it began to rise, the flames stopped again.

It just sort of climbed without a sound, then zoomed out above the lake and away. For a short time I saw it, then it just vanished entirely! I'm not sure if I heard the hum later or not. Inside, I felt a bit cold, like when you see something you can't understand, something that is terrible.

No, I didn't go down to take a look around. I just beat it in a hurry. Later, I went there with Gerry and Danny and we found the prints and burned stubble in the gully. Some small trees and twigs were broken off too. No, I didn't make up the story . . . It's like I told you. The thing was there.

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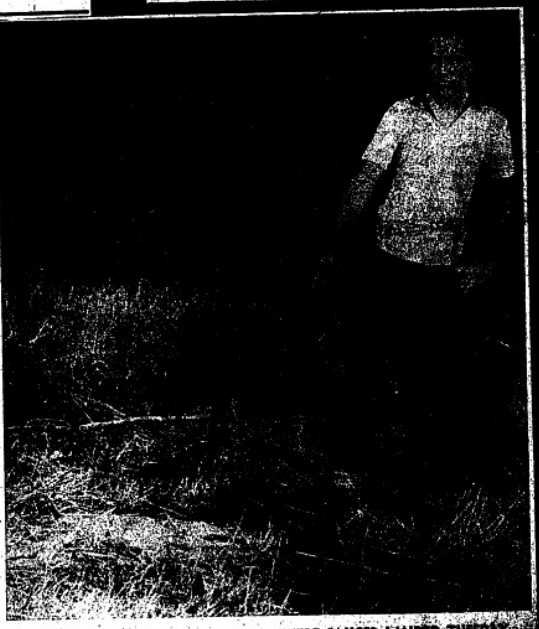
G. PAWELKO, J. STEVENS FIRST TO INVESTIGATE



Galt Eve. Reporter 8/3/57

JACK INDICATES BURNED PATCHES WHERE SAUCER LANDED TUESDAY

... Tuesday's results—Cubs 6, Cards ...

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Post Eve. Record

BOYS FOUND TWO HUGE PRINTS IN FARM FIELD AT LANDING SCENE

Post Eve. Reporter 8/3/57

YOUNG EYE-WITNESS SKETCHED THIS VIEW OF BIG SPACESHIP

16 The Evening Reporter, Galt, Tues., August 6, 1957

Hundreds Visit Scene Of "Flying Saucer" Landing

By ROY FRANCIS

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TOOK SAMPLES

[illegible]

NORTH TORONTO HERALD
ONT., AUGUST 15/57

SAYS HE SAW FLYING SAUCER FOR [illegible] MINUTES

Jack Stephenson says he saw a flying saucer and no one can convince him to the contrary. He says he saw the saucer hover within two feet of the ground as he was walking four miles outside Galt, Ont. The saucer, he says, had a "round spinning body" and the top was "bright and did not revolve." He watched it for [illegible] minutes as it hovered like a helicopter then it "just climbed away without a sound, then zoomed over the lake and away. It vanished quickly." He said the area where the saucer came closest to the ground was charred and showed prints of huge feet.

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Semi-Official Investigator In Galt Over "Saucer" Report

By ROY FRANCIS

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TOO MUCH SECRECY

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SOME QUEER MACHINE

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NOT IS CONVINCED

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... able, dependable people who have clearly seen objects that are not planes or natural phenomena! Many of them are air force, military people, trained to observe. Let's face it — there is something."

That's the question: "Did we have a flying saucer—or didn't we?" Maybe we'll find out through some lucky occurrence, maybe we'll all never know.

A missionary, and four natives in a separate location, in the Fiji Islands witnessed a circular white UFO which descended and hovered about 20 feet above the sea during the night of October 8, 1957. The UFO was revolving and gave off a blinding beam of light as the natives approached it in their boat. The natives reported seeing a man-like figure on top of the object. [64.]

Also in Paris, September 26, 1957, an American Embassy officer and his wife watched a reddish-orange elliptical UFO for twenty minutes around 7:00 p.m. The sighting was later reported to NICAP in confidence. [47]

On October 16, 1957 Air Marshal Sir George Jones sighted a UFO resembling a balloon with a white light on the bottom, except that it sped past silently at an altitude of about 900 feet. "Nothing can shake me from my belief in what I saw," he said. Interviewed by Mr. Norris, he admitted he had no explanation for the sighting. Sir George Jones is the former Commander-in-Chief of the RAAF.

During the November 1957 "flap" in the western hemisphere, Australia also was flooded with sightings. Mr. Norris reported that "during early November UFO reports came from all Australian states except Tasmania."

Toronto Telegram: 2 Aug 57

WHAT'S UP?

By Colin Murray, Telegram Staff Reporter

Moby Dick flustered Toronto for two hours last night—but noone knows for sure how it got there.

The giant U.S. transparent plastic weather balloon—called Moby Dick by U.S. servicemen—blew into Toronto from the lake at dusk. And it started a rash of rumors about flying saucers.

Chief weather officer Fred Turnbull and the RCAF said the balloon had been launched by Americans in Japan. It carried scientific instruments to record weather conditions in the upper air for International Geophysical Year studies, Mr. Turnbull said.

It drifted—ignored or undetected—across the continent. The 200-foot helium-filled bag—floating at heights ranging from 30,000 to 100,000 feet—was tracked by an RCAF Pinetree Line radar station north of Toronto between 7:30 and 8:30 P.M.

(It looked as if it were only 4,00 or 5,000 feet up. Actually, it was floating near the 20-mile mark.)

As the balloon hung over the city, thousands of watchers jammed switchboards with calls to newspaper offices, radio stations, civil defense headquarters, police and fire departments and air traffic and weather offices at Malton.

At The Telegram, nine staff members in the editorial office could not keep up with the calls which rang through on all lines and flooded over to phones in other parts of the building.

The RCAF said more balloons may fly over Toronto. They are scheduled to be launched a day apart in Japan.

Dan Overall

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8 Ashland Daily Press Thursday, Nov. 7, 1957

Frenchman Says One 'Sput' Dud

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Did Reds Muff Early Sputnik Try?

Lansing (Mich.) State Journal

1957

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Tail end of "No Reds on Moon" item, N.Y. World-Telegram & Sun, Thurs. Nov. 9, 1957

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'CELESTIAL BODY' DATA

Argentine Says Object May Have Been Early Satellite

SALTA, Argentina, Nov. 10 (AP) — An Argentine scientist said today a "celestial body" that fell in Parana, capital of Rios Province, Aug. 21 was man-made and might have been part of a Soviet satellite launched before the satellite of Oct. 4.

Dr. Juan Olsacher, professor in the College of Natural Sciences of Cordoba University, said an analysis showed that the object was made of a material containing 95 per cent aluminum, with small amounts of manganese and silicon and traces of iron, copper and barium.

Dr. Olsacher said that these metals were never found in a pure state in any natural body. The composition is similar to alloys used in aviation, he said.

Dr. Olsacher said that a strange celestial body was photographed Aug. 19 in [illegible] France, while it was disintegrating in the air and the piece that fell in Parana might have belonged to it. He said that French scientists had said the photographed object could have been an artificial satellite.

Times 11/11/57

THE EVENING GUIDE PORT HOPE, ONT. SEPT. 18/57

Star-gazers Sight Foreign Body Again Last Night At Sunset

The foreign body, weather balloon or whatever it was seen in the sky to the north by Port Hope viewers last evening at sunset, may or may not have been the same object seen floating slowly in that direction on Sunday and again last night by residents reporting from Wesleyville. Binoculars trained on the bright spot in the sky did not reveal any identification.

Dominion Weather Office at Toronto has given a report that they release clear plastic balloons daily from the island weather post, and they are followed closely by telescopic observation as long as they are within the range of the weather station, and wind data is recorded.

It is possible to determine the speed and direction of the wind at various levels by observing the behaviour of these balloons. The clear plastic balloons are called pilot balloons, and are easier to trace than coloured balloons.

London

The Thing from Outer Space . . .

[illegible]

'WHATZIS' ZIPS OVER LONDON

LONDON, Sept. 18 (AP). —An unidentified luminous object, shaped like a cigar and traveling at a high speed, was seen by North London residents early today, the air ministry said.

The Ministry received a series of calls and said three out of four descriptions tallied exactly.

A Ministry official said callers reported the object blue-green, cigar-shaped [illegible]

London Reports 'Flying Cigar'

LONDON (AP)—North London residents reported of seeing a cigar-shaped, blue-green object moving rapidly over the city early today, the Air Ministry announced.

Three out of every four descriptions of the luminous object were exactly the same, the ministry said. Officials refused to speculate on the case.

SEPTEMBER 18, 1957

WEDNESDAY,

NEWARK EVENING NEWS

New M[illegible] Object

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Monterey [illegible]

Wednesday, Sept. [illegible] 1957

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London Sights Flying 'Object'

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September 4, 1958. Portugal. Four jet pilots of the Portuguese AF left Ota Air Base at 7:21 p.m., to fly their F-84's at 25,000 ft. on a routine practice night navigation flight at 25,000 ft. Their flying time was 4930 hours, 2870 in jets. After 45 uneventful minutes of flight their leader observed an unusual light on 40° to his left the horizon - a bright star unusually big and scintillating, with a colored nucleus which changed color constantly - deep green, blue, reddish, and yellowish hues. Venus had already been identified, and other explanations were ruled out, when the light began to expand and contract in an amazing manner, several times becoming five times its first size, then shrinking to a mere yellow point, but the pilots could not tell whether or not motion was involved. After about 7 or 8 minutes, the object had gradually approached the horizon and was about 90° to their left. Captain Ferreira decided to abandon the flight training - since no one was paying attention to the exercise any longer anyway - and the formation turned 50° to port. The light was now well below the gets and apparently quite near, a bright red, and looking like "a curven beampod at arm's length." After several minutes on the new course the pilots saw first one, small circles of yellow light, coming out of the large object, then three pthers to the right of the large one; the big object seemed 10 or 15 times as large as the small ones, which moved around it. As the two formations of craft were near the village of Caruche, the UFO seemed to dive, very rapidly, then climbed toward the jets. Wildly excited, the jet pilots crossed the course of the UFO ahead of it. Almost immediately afterward "everything disappeared in a few seconds," and the jets landed without incident. The pilots could form no conlusions regarding their 40-minute experience, "except that after this do not give us the old routine of Venus, balloons, aircraft, and the like, ~~which has been given as a general~~ --Finally, according to the Lisbon Diario Ilustrado, the Meteorological Observatory at Coimbra registered extraordinary variations in the magnetic field at the same time that the jet squadron was observing the UFO. (FSR May-June 1958, pp. 2-3.)

DAILY NEWS, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1957

...fect an intercontinental ballistics missile.

Object X Flashes Over Singapore

Singapore, Oct. 18 (UP).—A brilliant, unidentified object flashed across the sky over Singapore today. It was visible for 55 minutes and hundreds reported sighting it. Officials said it was not Sputnik.

Witnesses said the object trailed sparks from a tail as it moved northwest.

Pentagon sources in Washington said the U. S. had staged no rocket firings in the Pacific that could explain the phenomenon.

Inexplicable

From a young Air Force trainee to an Air Marshal is a long way. But the former RAAF Chief of Staff, Air Marshal Sir George Jones, has also seen an unidentified flying object. This took place on October 16, 1957.

"It was like nothing else that I have seen or heard about—nothing that I could explain," remarked Sir George who has been in the Air Force for 35 years.

10/21/57--Gaydon, Warwickshire, England--A mysterious flying object seen over Warwickshire was till unidentified by the Air Ministry. The object was spotted over the R.A.F. station at Gaydon by a night fighter pilot. It was also picked up by ground radar. It was spotted at 9:18 p.m. by Flying Officer D.W. Sweeney who was flying a Meteor on a training exercise from R.A.F. Station, North Luffenham. Apparently at 28,000 feet and flying west, he almost collided with an object which, he is reported to have said, was moving slowly and showing six lights. He was then over Gaydon, where atom bomberx crews train in Valiants. His report fitted in with a radar sighting a few minutes earlier from R.A.F. station, Langtoft. A check on military and civil aircraft movements showed that the meteor was the only aircraft in the area at the time.

Dazzling Flying Object Sighted in Fiji Islands

HONOLULU (UP) — The Fiji government, in a report received here Monday, said a white clergyman and four natives reported sighting a dazzling object in the South Pacific skies which generally matched the description of an unidentified object reported in Texas.

The report issued from Suva, capital of the island group, said three separate sightings of the strange flying object were reported last week.

First, the report said, four Fijian fishermen from the Nabouzalu village in Bua Province on the island of Vanua Levu said they saw a "strange object white in color and circular in shape descending from the sky. They were very near it and saw it hovering at a steady height of 20 feet above the sea.

"It appeared to be revolving and on it appeared to be the figure of a man," the Suva report continued. "As the Fijians approached in their boat a blinding light shone on them. They said it dazzled them and made them feel weak.

"Then the object went straight up into the air and disappeared into the night sky," the report said.

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November 4, 1957. Capt. Jean Vincent de Beyssac, flying a Varig Airlines C-46 near Ararangua at 1:20 a.m., noticed a red light to the left. The plane was at 7,000 feet above a layer of stratus clouds. Both Capt. de Beyssac and his co-pilot watched curiously as the light increased in size. When the pilot decided to investigate and started to press his rudder, the UFO suddenly leaped through an arc of about 45 degrees and appeared much larger in size. Capt. de Beyssac went into an 80 degree left turn for a closer look. About midway of the turn, the object began glowing more brilliantly and the pilot smelled smoke in the cabin. While the crew hastily looked for fire, the UPO vanished. It was then discovered that the ADF (direction finder), right generator and transmitter-receiver had burned out simultaneously. [20]

Thousands in S. Africa See Mystery Object

The Bisbee Daily Review Wed., Nov. 6, 1957

Johannesburg, South Africa, Nov. 6—(UP)—South African Air Force searchlights picked up a mysterious "cylindrical object" flying over the city of Johannesburg last night.

Thousands of persons reported seeing the object as searchlights at Dunnotar air station near Johannesburg picked out the flying cylinder despite low clouds.

Dr. R. H. Stoz, Capetown astronomer, said the object "might well have been" the rocket which took the first Soviet satellite into space and has since been circling the world in its own orbit. However he was unable to explain how it was low enough to be picked out by searchlights.

(Philadelphia)

Ice Cutters See Swooping 'Saucer'

Canadian Press — 1957

COBALT, Ont., Feb. 1—Tom Cameron, 24, and Bob Cole, 28, blew in yesterday after a spot of ice-cutting and saucer-watching on Lake Anima Nipissing.

The ice-cutting was a routine business. The saucer—the flying variety, the men said—was unexpected.

Cameron and Cole said they spotted the object in the early-night sky Saturday and gazed at it for two hours through binoculars while it swooped and soared.

They said it appeared first as an aura of light in the east over the treetops. They concluded it was about three feet across and travelled at speeds greater than a jet plane.

The RCAF filter centre at North Bay, south of here, said it had received no reports of unidentified flying objects. A spokesman said he wouldn't attempt to guess what Cameron and Cole saw.

During the North and South American "flap" in November 1957 [See Section XII], hundreds of people in the Southern Transvaal area witnessed an "enormous" cylindrical UFO. On the night of November 5, the object was observed hovering in the sky. South African Air Force searchlights in Dunnotar pinpointed the UFO, which then "withdrew" behind clouds, according to witnesses. [54]

Nearest recall town to UFO sighting in Utah, is Cactus Alberta

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THE CALGARY HERALD

Wednesday, Nov. 6, 1957

3 Women See Weird Sky Object

An unidentified flying object was seen over eastern Alberta Sunday evening by three Calgary women. The Herald learned today as results of similar sightings filtered in from all over the continent.

Not since the first flurry of UFO sightings burst upon the world right to 10 years ago has there been so much activity about mysterious objects in the sky.

A majority of the sightings in the U.S. have been near secret military installations and of a nature which almost exactly duplicates the experience of 22-year-old Carol Gurney, Edna Ireland.

She was driving back from Saskatchewan with two women friends Sunday evening when she saw the object about 7 p.m.

The two friends also saw it.

They were about 15 minutes inside the Alberta - Saskatchewan boundary on highway No. 9 when it appeared in the sky.

THOUGHT IT WAS PLANE

It was a blinking light, almost centred over the car above them, and about 15 times the visual size of a star. "I thought it was a plane at first but it had no wing lights as a plane would have.

"It looked like the blinking beacon at the airport fixed up in the sky.

"It was moving very fast in a curve which carried it toward the northwest horizon. By the time it reached the horizon it had blinked 15 times from the first sighting.

As it curved over the car "the car started acting up . . . it coughed and the headlights flickered. We chalked it up to loose wiring."

But the behavior of Miss Ireland's car resembles the reaction of other motor vehicles to UFO in the U.S. Cars in the vicinity of sightings have stalled and electric lights died.

ENGLAND
BOURNEMOUTH DAILY ECHO, Thursday, November 7, 1957

SIX STRANGE objects in the sky to the east of ANDOVER were seen on Saturday afternoon by Mr. J. F. Andrews, of Highlands-road, Andover, while he was watching a football match. Mr. Andrews today described the objects as "circular, more disc-shape than anything else, but having the appearance of being composed of vapour like a dark grey cloud."

seen by Ed Lindeman

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1957

One Reported Down in Britain

'Mystery Objects' Widely Sighted

LONDON, Nov. 6 (AP).—Reports of unidentified flying objects came from England, Italy and South Africa today.

A mystery object smashed into a nursery school playground at Sunbury-on-Thames, England, today. An investigator from the Air Ministry said "it is not of this earth," but a British Museum expert reported "it is certainly not a meteorite."

"Looked Like Marble"

"We found a hole two feet deep and about the size of a gramophone record across," the nursery school headmistress said. "The object was red hot, and still warm when it was taken away. Parts of it looked like marble with a trace of red in them and other parts were black like coal."

The British Museum expert hinted that it might be connected with last night's celebration of Guy Fawkes Day, when Britons shoot off fireworks. But he could find no fireworks remains near the hole.

At Tromello, Italy, an object was reported to have fallen from the sky last night with a deafening whistle and thump. Many persons reported seeing the object fall. They said a pinnacle of white smoke rose from the spot where it hit.

"Cylindrical Object"

At Johannesburg, South Africa, thousands of persons reported seeing a "cylindrical object" low over the city last night in the glare of Air Force searchlights tracking it. The Air Force refused comment.

In Cairo, Egyptian Army engineers identified an object found in an Alexandria schoolyard yesterday as a highway reflector. They said it apparently had been stolen and the thief abandoned it when it flared up. Russian experts here had tentatively identified the white rubber and glass object as part of an "American missile."

Total Eclipse Of Moon Today

A total eclipse of the moon will occur this morning at 7:43 o'clock, but New York area residents will not see it. It will be generally visible in the western part of the country, beginning in the Denver, Colo., region.

The moon, as seen from the eastern United States, will set normally at 6:35 a. m. It will enter the more than an hour later. From the West Coast, the moon will be observed going into complete eclipse.

THE MONTREAL STAR,

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1957

Meteorite Falls Near U.K. School

Reuters

LONDON, Nov. 6 — A white-hot object the size of a tennis ball and believed to be a meteorite crashed near a nursery school outside London today, making a crater two feet deep.

When it cooled it was taken to the police station at Staines to be examined by experts.

Only 12 meteorites have been recorded as falling in Britain since 1795. The last landed in Wales in 1952.

An Air Ministry official who took away one piece said it was "certainly not of this earth."

One of two British Museum officials who examined the other piece declared: "It is certainly not a meteorite." He added: "We must not forget that last night was Guy Fawkes Night." (This is Britain's annual fireworks night marking the abortive Catholic conspiracy to blow up Parliament on Nov. 5, 1605.)

THE OTTAWA CITIZEN

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64 TORONTO DAILY STAR: Thursday, Nov. 7, 1957

Red-hot Egg-shaped Ball Shocks Sputnik-minded Schoolmarm

London, Nov. 7 — (AP) — A startled schoolmarm with sputniks on her mind told the air ministry that a red-hot egg-shaped object crashed down from the skies into her village school playground near here.

It was the size of a tennis ball, she said, and made a hole in the ground where it fell. A ministry man hurried down to investigate, and reported: "it is not of this earth. Probably a meteorite."

But Dr. G. F. Claringbull, meteorite expert at London's natural history museum disagreed.

"It's a lump of quartz, which is definitely terrestial," he said. "I think this might be a hoax."

Schoolmistress Miss Marie Brown sniffed: "the children here are far too young to organize a hoax of this kind."

And a villager added: "I'll say. A hoax like this would need an airplane."

Falls in Alexandria

CAIRO, Nov. 5 (UP)—A flaming object bounced into a schoolyard in Alexandria today. Russian scientists who rushed to the scene from the atoms-for-peace exhibit here identified it as part of a short-range missile.

The object, three inches long, two inches wide and less than an inch thick, was made of white rubber and equipped with three lenses.

The newspaper Al Akhbar here reported that a fireball streaked across the sky yesterday. It said several persons had seen it. However, the Helwan Observatory said it had not observed the phenomenon.

No planes were flying over Alexandria when the object struck.

NY Times 11/6/57

Object Called Part of Missile Lands in Egypt

CAIRO, Egypt, Nov. 5 (U.P.)—A mysterious flaming object bounced into the yard of Alexandria University today. Russian scientists who rushed to the scene from the atoms-for-peace exhibit here identified it as part of a short-range missile.

The object, three inches long, two inches wide and less than an inch thick, was made of white rubber and had three lenses.

Flames from the object were extinguished by police.

No planes were flying over Alexandria at the time the object bounced into the school yard and no one saw where it came from.

CLEVELAND PLAIN DEALER, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1957

Sky Drops a Riddle to Baffle Sphinx

CAIRO, Egypt, Nov. 5 (Reuters)—A mysterious flaming object fell from the sky into an Alexandria school courtyard today, the Middle East news agency reported.

A scientist who examined it at Alexandria University's faculty of science said it might have fallen from a satellite or a flying saucer.

The scientist, Dr. Sherbiny, described the object as being "small, of solid rubber, containing a minute valve."

Dr. Sherbiny, dean of the faculty of science, said the object could not have come from a plane because it fell from an altitude a plane was unable to reach.

He said the object was part of a scientific apparatus.

The Middle East news agency said the object was made of white rubber and was about three inches long and 2¼ inches wide. It had lenses on both sides.

The agency said no plane had flown over the city today and no weather balloons had been launched.

'Portion of Sputnik I' Just Road Reflector

Cairo (AP)—A rubber object that supposedly fell from the sky at Alexandria Tuesday was only part of a reflective device used to guide drivers along dark roads, the Middle East News Agency reported Wednesday.

The agency said an Egyptian Army expert of rockets and radar made the examination. This put an end to speculation that Russia's first Sputnik was disintegrating.

Omaha Bee-Herald 11/7/57

Landing of Object Claimed in Egypt

CAIRO, Nov. 5 (INS) — Egypt's Middle-East News Agency reported tonight that a small flaming object equipped with tiny lenses landed in a school playground in Alexandria.

Police in the port city promptly called in scientists and engineers, who were unable to identify the mysterious object immediately.

WINNIPEG FREE PRESS, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1957

How They Wonder WHAT You Are . . .

Reports from Calgary, Edmonton, the Lakehead and Toronto about mysterious flying objects have given weight to American stories of the unidentified things they say up there.

Wednesday Edna Ireland, 35, of Calgary, told of her experience Sunday night she was driving back from Saskatoon with two friends. They were about 15 minutes inside the Alberta-Saskatchewan boundary on highway No. 9 when the object appeared in the sky.

It was a blinking light, almost centred over the car and about 15 times the visual size of a star. "It looked like the blinking beacon at the airport fixed up in the sky."

As it curved overhead, "the car started acting up; the motor coughed and the headlights flickered." But at the time "we chalked it up to loose wiring," she said.

ONTARIO REPORTS

Mystery objects in the sky — ranging in description from "egg-shaped" to "a pinkish thing" — were reported Wednesday night from various parts of Ontario. Most came after 6:25 p.m. (EST) when Sputnik I was scheduled to pass over the province.

Gustav Bakos, an official at Dunlap Observatory, said "red lights" reported could have been Venus which set Wednesday night around 8 p.m. He said the observatory had received several reports of objects.

Mrs. Shelia Funnell of Meadowvale, 11 miles west of Toronto, said she saw a stationary bright light four times as big as the North Star. When she looked a second time it had turned amber. Then it vanished in a red streak.

LAKEHEAD, EDMONTON

A "mystery object," said to be "very bright, egg-shaped and fairly low on the horizon, travelling at a fast speed," has been sighted by several residents of the Lakehead and surrounding district.

In Edmonton, Percy Robinson said he saw a "bright object, shaped like a football" appear in the sky while he was standing in a downtown parking lot at 6:45 p.m. (MST) Wednesday.

Robinson said he pointed it out to a passerby.

A possible explanation came from Toronto. The widow of a Toronto doctor believes papers and records of experiments by her husband may provide some clue to car-stopping, light-extinguishing phenomena reported in scattered parts of the United States in the last few days.

SOME LIGHT

The experiments were conducted from 1935 to his death in 1953 by Dr. James Cotton, a well-known diagnostician who produced a widely used type of anaesthetic and a truth serum.

Mrs. Ruby Cotton said her husband was conducting final experiments with a "mysterious "death ray" at the time of his death. She says the rays, identified by her husband as microwaves and produced by a complicated electrical apparatus, were powerful enough to stop car engines, extinguish lights and kill bugs and mice through brick walls a foot thick.

Mrs. Cotton said she complied with her husband's wish that all his equipment be destroyed after his death. However, details of the equipment were registered with the U.S. patent office in Washington.

OBJECT IDENTIFIED

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Idaho Statesman 11-7-57

THE EVENING GUIDE PORT HOPE, ONT. NO.V 7/57 on 11-6

Port Hopers Sight Object

Mrs M. Clarke, Fraser Street, Port Hope reported to the Guide this morning that along with her neighbours, Mr and Mrs Gordon Bell, saw a strange object over Port Hope last night between six and seven-thirty last night. Mrs Clarke said the object was orange and bluish in colour and was travelling southward.

A story from British United Press this morning also reported a mysterious flying object, giving out a bright glow as it moved at high altitude, was reported seen by thousands of western New Yorkers last night.

Switchboards of newspaper and radio station offices received scores of calls from persons reporting teh sighting and trying to learn its identity.

A jet interceptor was ordered aloft by the 47th Fighter Group from the Niagara Falls air force base, but 1st Lt Fred E. Christian reported he was unable to sight the object durijng a 45-minute flight.

There was an early report that Air Forces radar operators detected the object on their screens. However, officers refused to confirm or deny the report.

The first official repoprt of the object reached the Buffalo filter centre from a ground observer post in Dannsville, where three observers were on duty.

Sgt George L. Hatch, night supervisor of the filter centre, said the observers reported "a pear-shaped object in the sky" at an estimated altitude of between 30,000 and 60,000 feet.

"The observers said the object appeare to be made of a very highly-polished metal or else glowing very brightly," Hatch said.

Buffalo Courier Express 11/7/57

Sputnik II Seen Easily in Britain

LONDON, Nov. 6 (U.P.)—Sputnik II was clearly visible as it passed over Britain in broad daylight today.

Fleet workers near Cambridge watched it for four minutes.

"It was almost directly overhead," said Mrs. E. B. Bell. "The sky was quite blue and the satellite looked very bright. It seemed like a slowly moving star."

A spokesman at the Mullard Observatory said:

"We saw it. It was extremely bright — brighter than say, Venus, which is often visible during the daytime."

Widespread Reports

New Space Signals, Mystery Objects Have West Puzzled

United Press

LONDON, Nov. 6 — Reports of mysterious unidentified flying objects and speculation that Russia would unveil new secret weapons tomorrow kept the western world on edge today on the eve of the 40th anniversary of the Bolshevik revolution.

Scientists in the United States and abroad picked up new and unexplained radio signals from space.

There were reports yesterday of unidentified flying objects near Alamogordo, N.M., near the scene of the first atomic explosion, and over the Pacific Ocean.

Seen By Thousands

Last night South African Air Force searchlights picked up a "cylindrical object" flying over Johannesburg.

The South African Air Force had no comment on the flying cylinder which was seen by thousands of residents.

However, astronomer R. H. Stoz speculated the object may have been the rocket which took the first Soviet satellite into space. He was unable to explain how it could have been low enough for the searchlights to pick it out.

A possible clue came from San Francisco, where a group of University of California scientists calculated that the rocket would crash about Dec. 11. They emphasized that was an approximate date.

Another sighting was reported from Rio de Janeiro by the Brazilian tanker Petrobras. It reported the satellite more brilliant than the planet Venus, but said when it reached the horizon it made unexplained "ascending and descending movements" before vanishing.

Muttnik Loses Chunk

The Muttnik finished its 40th lap around the world early today as scientists reported a chunk of it had broken away.

At the start of its fourth day aloft, the Muttnik slumped to its lowest altitude yet recorded while whirling over Britain.

In Tokyo, Japanese scientists tracking the second Soviet satellite's progress reported its cap has broken away from the main body. They said the cap is travelling a minute-and-a-half, or 435 miles, ahead of the Muttnik.

The Muttnik shot over the British Isles from south-west to north-east at a height of only 130 miles—not far above the frontier of the earth's atmosphere, roughly 100 miles up. The highest point of its egg-shaped orbit is almost 1,000 miles out into cosmic space.

Sputnik II was sighted from a plane for the first time today. U.S. Air Force capt. Laval Tremblay said he saw the satellite at 5:04 a.m. (EST) while flying at an altitude of 19,000 feet just south of North Conway, N.H.

Tremblay, assistant operations officer at Hanscom Air Force base, Bedford, Mass., reported to Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory that the satellite was almost as bright as the planet Jupiter.

Tremblay said he saw the satellite for about three minutes and that it was 200 to 300 miles away.

Sightings Blamed On 'Saucer-itis'

United Press

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Nov. 6 — Dr. Donald H. Menzel, director of the Harvard University Observatory, says Russia's Sputniks have "inoculated people with flying saucer-itis."

Menzel said last night that many persons are imagining mysterious objects in the sky and others are seeing actual "mirages."

This phenomenal mirage-type image Menzel called a flying saucer. "It's no great surprise to me that there has been another flying saucer scare," he said, "because there are just as many now as there were in 1947 and 1948 when the first scare started."

Dog In Good Shape

A Moscow radio broadcast beamed on North America said today that "Laika," the dog-crewman of Sputnik II, was still in good shape. It said the dog wore a special pressurized suit which protected its larger blood vessels and maintained normal blood circulation in its brain.

The broadcast said that when the rocket reached its orbits, its engines cut out automatically and that Laika then was floating in a gravityless field. It said the Soviet had been studying the influence of a weightless state on human beings for some time and that volunteers have taken numerous tests.

The radio reported, however, that five of the human guinea pigs concerned in the experiments had had illusions that they were falling or hanging upside down while in a state of suspended animation. Later, the humans became immune and could move around.

New Signal

In Washington the Federal Communicatons Commission said its monitoring stations have been alerted to try to track reports of a new signal from space. Ham operators across the nation reported hearing the signal on 14.286 kilocycles. It was variously described as a series of dots, a low moan and "some kind of code group."

An FCC spokesman said the frequency is far removed from that on which Sputnik II's radio operates.

Earlier, the U.S.A Air Force Missile Development Centre at Alamogordo, N.M., said it had picked up radio signals from Sputnik II which apparently represent the heart beat and respiration rate of a dog such as carried aboard Sputnik II.

The centre picked up one signal of 130 "beeps" per minute, slightly faster than the heart beat of a normal dog. Superimposed on this was another consisting of 15 beeps a minute, which is the average breathing rate of dogs.

"Signals being transmitted by the second Russian satellite are now being monitored, interpreted and analyzed by the scientific staff of this research and development centre," a spokesman said.

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POLICE PLAY JOKENIK

Little Green Man Reported on Lawn

Windsor, Ont., Nov. 7— (CUP)— Beleaguered police, beset with sightings of spooks, ghosts and whatnots, played a jokenik last night when they got a report a "little green man" had been seen in Windsor.

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TORONTO DAILY STAR, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1957

Object Thought Sputnik III

CANBERRA, Nov. 5 — A mystery object, sighted from Mount Stromlo observatory near Canberra early today, could be another Russian satellite, astronomers at the observatory believe.

Dr. A. Prokofieff and two colleagues sighted a "pinkish object brighter than Venus" moving westward across the morning sky low on the horizon.

Astronomers, who have been observing the passage of Sputnik II, said the object is unlike anything they have ever seen.

Seen at Mt. Stromlo

Four astronomers at Mount Stromlo Commonwealth Observatory saw a bright pink object on November 5, 1957— brighter than anything else in the sky except the moon, and with all their vast knowledge and experience they did not know what it was.

Dr. A. R. Hogg, Assistant Director of the Observatory, stated at the time: "It was the first time that the Observatory has sighted what might be called an unidentified flying object."

Ordinary people without the knowledge of astronomy or meteorology can mistake a natural phenomenon for a "flying saucer." But pilots, security officers, DCs airfields, air marshals or astronomers are the last people to be tagged because of their specialized knowledge, reportorial and intelligence.

Australia's top atomic scientist, Professor Harry Messel, of Sydney University, has this to say in favour of the reality of the flying saucer: "Governments are conducting investigation programmes at the public expense. Funds would not have been allocated for this purpose had there been nothing to it."

He thinks the object cannot be wiped off or ridiculed.

SWITCHBOARDS FLOODED

Was it Sputnik or Vapor Trail?

An enormous question mark appeared in the sky south of Toronto about 7 a.m. today. Many people thought they were catching a glimpse of a Sputnik, but others put it down as simply a jet leaving a vapor trail.

"That was no jet," said CBC Guard, an Avro employee who studied the object with powerful binoculars. "It was long and shiny like a cigar except it had fins near the front. It came out of the sun, headed north toward Malton, then disappeared as it crossed the Lake Ontario shoreline."

Mr. Guard said the object was too long for a jet and was climbing too fast.

Martin Staats also saw a peculiar object in the sky while coming to work on Highway 27. He described it as "about 75 feet long and shiny. He said a jet heading in a super hurry was nearby but this object moved for a while, then just hung in one place.

The police radio was filled with calls shortly before 7 a.m. by officers who claimed they saw Sputnik. The switchboard at the Star was flooded with calls.

Like Question Mark

The trail, which looked as if it came from a twin jet, crossed the sky south of Toronto from east to west, then turned north where it formed a gigantic question mark. One watcher described it as a shtick. It then turned south again and disappeared.

Malton airport put the vapor trail down to an unknown jet. First reports of the object came shortly before 7 a.m. The second reports came from people near Highway 27 at about 7.15 when a cigar-shaped object appeared.

The vapor trail was seen by a member of the David Dunlap observatory but he did not know what it was. Heather Shedden was due around 7 a.m. The observatory was flooded with calls too.

This morning's excitement followed similar activity last night. Mystery objects reported to observation from "egg-shaped" to "a pinkish thing" were reported to the Ontario sky. Most were reported after 5.20 when Sputnik I was scheduled to pass over the province.

See Lights

Mrs. Sheila Fennell of Meadowvale, told of seeing a stationary bright light four times as big as the north star. It had turned amber when she looked at it a second time. Then it disappeared in a red streak.

Thomas Thomson and Willam Pollard of Brampton also saw a light but described it as "red and shimmering."

Richmond Hill residents told of seeing a "brilliant gleaming star," a "gleaming red object" and a "pinkish thing."

A motorist on Highway 11 looked through his side's telescope at "a big red moon." Another motorist told of seeing a "white trail" that disappeared near the moon.

Strange lights also were reported in Bolleville and in northern Ontario. In Port Arthur a "very bright, egg-shaped" object travelling fairly fast near the horizon was noticed. A "large blood-red object" was spotted by Donald Lennert near Owen Sound.

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Syrians fire on 6 unidentified jets

DAMASCUS, Syria, Nov. 4 (UP)— Syrian anti-aircraft guns fired today on six unidentified jet planes that flew high over the Mediterranean port of Latakia in northwest Syria, an official spokesman declared.

It was the first time the Syrians have fired on alleged intruding planes since the Syrian - Turkish border tension began. Syria recently accused the United States 6th Fleet of sending planes on reconnaissance missions over Syrian territory.

The Syrian spokesman said the six jets "immediately dispersed and headed eastward" after they were fought under fire. The planes were flying at "EXTREMELY HIGH ALTITUDE," HE DA

TURKEY ACCUSED

A Damascus dispatch of the Egyptian Middle East News Agency said the jets flew from Turkish territory in an attempt to reconnoiter Syrian and Egyptian military positions.

The official Damascus spokesman also reported that local Syrian resistance units drove back a group of six Turkish infiltrators who crossed the Syrian border last Friday near Salkin village in the Ein Elarth district.

The two parties were reported to have exchanged fire before the six "infiltrators" were repulsed.

Syrian officials, meanwhile, accused the United States of interfering in this country's internal affairs by pressuring the arrest of U.S. embassy employes.

U.S. LODGES PROTESTS

The U.S. embassy delivered four protest notes to the Syrian government last week, three concerning the arrests of Syrians employed by the embassy and one on the arrest of a U.S. Marine guard.

The Marine, Sgt. Robert U. Stati, was arrested by police near the embassy compound as he was returning from a Haloween party disguised in Arab costume.

Authorities explained they thought the Marine might be a fanatic, planning a bomb attack. They held him for 24 hours.

VICTORIA DAILY TIMES
B.C., NOV. 9/57

Victorians Saw Things on Moon Thursday Night

Two Victoria girls reported today that they saw a dark horizontal line through the centre of the moon while returning from work Thursday evening.

"It dropped rapidly and then disappeared," declared Elizabeth Wheeler of 936 Linden Avenue, who said she saw the phenomenon in company with her friend, Muriel Wright, of 1020 Oliphant, at about 5.30 p.m.

"We were walking home through Beacon Hill Park," Miss Wheeler said. "I glanced up at the moon, which was a bright red, and said to Muriel: 'Look there's a line across the moon.'

"We both stared at it for several seconds before it disappeared."

The sighting occurred at 5.30 p.m.—10 minutes after—Mr. H. Cowan of 130 Rockley, said he noticed a red patch on the top of the moon—as he was returning to Victoria in a fishing boat near Race Rocks.

"The patch soon resolved into a red band which slowly moved down across the moon's surface and then disappeared at the bottom," Mr. Cowan said.

An astronomer at the Dominion Astrophysical Laboratory said the moon sometimes appears reddish in color near the horizon.

He suggested a 'small fog patch might have given the appearance of a red band across the moon.

Ah, Turn Blue
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It's a Bird, It's a Plane.. No.. It's.. It's Boris

By DOUG ENGLISH

(With apologies to Buck Rogers, Flash Gordon, Ray Bradbury and other artists in the field of science fiction.)

We've had Sputnik, Muttnik, Little Orbit Annie and a host of other thingmiks from outer space hovering around the continent lately.

But Windsor topped them all Tuesday with the sighting of the Red Streak and Boris, the 3125s green man from Alexander Rd. who hates Russians.

The Red Streak made its first appearance over southwestern Windsor shortly after 5 p.m. Minutes later, switchboards at The Windsor Star and city and county police stations were deluged with phone calls from curious people who spotted it.

The city had calmed down by 10 p.m. Then Boris showed up and the chase was on again.

It started when city police received a frantic call from a woman who said she saw a "skinny looking little green man, with an aerial sticking out of his head," standing on her front lawn staring at her.

She hung up without giving her name and police cars converged on the area to hunt for the vagrant Boris. After completing a fruitless search, one officer was radioed by a shopkeeper at the police station and asked for a progress report.

He jokingly replied: "There's nothing here but a little green guy with pretty blue bulging eyeballs who keeps asking me if I'm a Russian. What should I do?"

The stunned dispatcher failed to catch the intended humor and shrieked: "A little green what? Well tell him you're a Canadian."

Seconds later she recovered her wits and curtly instructed the constable to return to his beat.

"I didn't think she'd get so excited about it," he chuckled later.

A composite description of the Red Streak: It was between 1,000 feet and two miles long, shaped like a test tube with glowing "chains" above and below it, travelling at a high rate of speed at an altitude of about 30,000 feet.

Lawrence Desmond of 2215 Girardot St. watched the streak with binoculars for five minutes. "It seemed like a long red flame. Then it died out and I saw a puff of black smoke."

Keiths Simpson of 911 Bridge Ave. saw an orange streak high in the sky with a little ball at one end—which Jeff Kearns of 411 Randolph described as "a long trail of fiery light—brighter than a meteor."

A meteorologist at the Detroit Weather Bureau said that a few minutes before sundown he watched a "big jet plane crossing the sky leaving a condensation trail." He theorized that the sun's reflection might have caused the trails to appear red. "But all the time I saw it the trails were white."

Tuesday was a day for strange sights in every part of Canada and the United States. Although excited sky-watchers saw everything from "flying footballs" to "fleets of shiny 'saucers,'" there was only a green man in sight—except Windsor's Boris.

TORONTO DAILY STAR ONT., NOV. 11/57

SPUTNIK NEXT-OF-KIN?

Seen by Torontonians

It wasn't Sputnik, Matlock or a weather balloon that the flying object spotted over Toronto at about yesterday was, nobody seems to know.

Police, newspapers, Malton airport and officials at the David Dunlap observatory were flooded with calls about 8 p.m. after residents first spotted it. Most callers said they saw the object for five to 10 minutes before it disappeared northward leaving a long vapor trail.

However, descriptions of the object varied widely.

Civil defence officials said they believed from descriptions it was a stray weather balloon.

A Malton meteorologist who spotted the object said it was definitely not a balloon.

Dr. C. S. Beals, Dominion astronomer, after hearing reports at his headquarters in Ottawa, said he believed the object may have been a meteor or perhaps a "fireball"—the name given to very bright meteors.

Dunlap observatory officials said they would not hazard a guess.

Most callers described the object as silver with a bluish white vapor trail. Some said the vapor trail had alternate red and blue flashes.

Observers at Malton airport who saw it from their control tower said it was a blob of light with no definite shape. One of the observers who spotted it through binoculars said it was the reflection of the sun on a metal deck but another observer wasn't, disagreed.

Monday, November 11, 1957
Martinsville, Indiana

White Flares Leave Hope For Transport

By ROCK BUCHWACH

HONOLULU (INS) — Reports of three white flares in the black of night raised new hopes today that passengers of a missing Pan American airways Stratocruiser may be still alive somewhere in the vast Pacific.

A sixth Navy search plane reported sighting two white flares Sunday night over the Pacific ocean 821 miles west of where the huge San Francisco-to-Honolulu plane with 44 persons aboard was last reported Friday.

The Navy immediately dispatched the submarine Carbonero to the scene of the flares. The underwater boat was expected to reach the spot of the three-sightings by sunrise.

Another white flare was spotted by an Air Force search plane Sunday night 391 miles west of the spot where the airliner was last heard from.

The aircraft carrier Philippine Sea was expected to be on the scene at daybreak when patrol planes will take off the carrier deck to intensify the biggest search in Pacific flight history.

VICTORIA DAILY TIMES B.C., NOV. 13/57

'YELLOW BALL OF FIRE' OVER CITY

A yellow ball of fire soared over Victoria from west to east early today, according to E. J. Darjanoff of 3025 Cadboro View Road.

"I saw it from my window at about 4.30 a.m.," Mr. Darjanoff said. "It was going at a fantastic speed. It travelled from west to east in a few seconds and then disappeared.

"It was a bright pale yellow and I would say it was about a third the size of the moon."

Mr. Darjanoff said he was looking in a southerly direction when the ball of fire flashed across the sky.

"It was much too big to be a meteor," he said, "and it had no tail, so it couldn't have been a comet."

FORT WAYNE JOURNAL-GAZETTE Wednesday, Nov. 13, 1957

SPECULATE OBJECT OVER AUSTRALIA MAY BE LAIKA RETURNING TO EARTH

PERTH, Australia, Nov. 12 (INS)—Reported sightings of a strange object over Australia last tonight is speculation that the body of Laika, Russia's space pioneer, may be descending slowly to earth.

All reports from Moscow and elsewhere said that the little dog is dead.

A lecturer at the planetarium in Moscow reported tonight that Soviet scientists have not yet discovered how to bring to earth a container incorporated in an earth satellite. He said Laika died before Sputnik II stopped sending radio signals last Friday.

But a scientist in Adelaide said there was at least a possibility that a cigar-shaped object seen over Kalgoorlie and other parts of West Australia had a connection with the satellite.

The scientist theorized that the object was a parti-infrient balloon designed to float the dog's compartment back to earth.

BILD Zeitung, Hamburg, Germany, 13 Nov 1957

Mysterious Flying Object In Lübeck Suburb

Hamburg, 13 Nov. - There is no end to the reports of mysterious flying objects since the launching of the two artificial Soviet moons. Two new cases from North Germany and Italy:

An unknown flying object exploded in the air over the Lübeck suburb Kücknitz, as eye reports. A 20cm long pipe, (8") obviously belonging to it, fell into a garden and was secured by the police. The first examination showed that the pipe probably contains a blasting charge. This will be looked into thoroughly at Kiel.

Two hunters found near the Italian town of Novara - 100 to AP - a shiny metal sphere of 60cm (24") diameter from ~~XXXXX~~ the inside of which issued a mysterious beeping signal.

Police and military units blocked off the area as thousands of curious hurried to the scene. High officers and scientists went on their way to the location to examine the mysterious ball, from which protruded two aerials. It carried the marking "U.S.-I" and a red star.

(The same paper carries a lengthy account of the plight of Sputnik Pelu and his light-propelled space craft, in which Lex might be interested. Too long to translate here.)

DAILY NEWS, WEDNESDAY

NOVEMBER 13, 1957

Object X Blows Up

Luebeck, West Germany, Nov. 13 (Reuters). — An unidentified object exploded in the air above this Baltic Sea port yesterday, police said today. A metal tub with a number of small holes was found.

Daily Telegraph and Morning Post, Monday, November 25, 1957

SLITHY SPUTNIK

Sir—I have just read Dr. Hans Lenhoff's letter about the impossibility of being able to see the Sputnik with the naked eye. I, too, thought this until my neighbour rushed in three weeks ago at 11 p.m. "Come out at my house and there, almost immediately above me, was a large orange moon, slowly ascending across the sky. Shouting ensued! I rushed into the kitchen, where my wife and two children and grilled herbs on toast-sticks and hard-boiled young man (I felt instinctively that this was no time for female delay).

By the time we got outside the object was on its way. We watched it disappear in and out of the sky. The whole episode was over in less than half a minute.

Inquiries were pursued in the fish-shop (which is Ethiopian Junction, is the principal hobby that supported that outside the in the neighbourhood had seen the thing.

And what did we see? Sputnik II on number 4 flying saucer? Or a shiny lover? Certainly the latter was giving and receiving, and a quick Cornish straddlebug was warned, it had the quality of a dream. (But that wasn't how my hard-headed young man assessed it, sir.)

Yours faithfully,
(Mrs.) MARGOT DORMAN.
Ellingham, Surrey.

DAILY NEWS, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1957

Swede Sees Shiny Whatsit Heading for the Moon

Stockholm, Nov. 25 (AP)—A report by a Swedish officer of a shining object travelling on a spiral course toward the moon was under examination at Sweden's defense headquarters today.

"The best guess so far seems to be that it might have something to do with Russian satellite or missile experiments," a staff spokesman said. He said the object was not an airplane, meteorological balloon or meteor and reported at the wrong time to be either of Russian Sputniks.

He said the observation was made yesterday with field glasses by an army captain near Goteborg, on the west coast.

The spokesman said "We are taking this report seriously since it comes from a competent observer."

The captain described the object as a flattened sphere "circling eastward." Its edges were somewhat elongated and there was a flickering glow as from burning exhaust gases from one side, he said. He was not able to estimate its altitude.

Moscow, Nov. 25 (AP)—Soviet scientists today reported that the faltering rocket which has been circling the earth with Sputnik I probably would hit the earth's atmosphere and disintegrate "in the first 10 days of December."

LATE NOV. 1957

Flying Saucer?

WERE 14 Scots people followed by a flying saucer as they were going home by truck last Saturday night?

This, true or no, is one of the most piquant flying stories for years.

The truckload of "tattie-howkers"—potato-pickers to Sassenach readers—were being driven home at 5 p.m. on the Musselburgh-Edinburgh road, when, from the direction of the North Sea, in swept a vivid green light. It grew bigger and bigger and seemed to hover directly overhead.

Women in the back of the truck began to scream with terror as the "Thing" began to hum along less than 60ft. behind. It was about 30ft. long and kept pace for some time with the lorry. The driver did not see it, nor could his passengers attract his attention.

Villagers of Newcraighall heard the commotion inside the truck but were accustomed to the shindig raised usually by homeward-bound tattie-howkers on Saturday nights. They heard, however, something about "flying saucers" as the truck sped through. But other villagers did see something in the sky.

ALL SOBER

A district nurse saw "what looked like a car's rear light" in the sky. It had a vapour trail and was moving very fast. A miner saw "a bright-green thing about a mile up".

One of the passengers said the object banked like an aeroplane. "I saw it was silvery on top. . . . Then it shot away at a tremendous speed over Arthur's Seat."

Police took statements from all the passengers, and a spokesman told the Sunday Mail that they would report to the Home Office.

"The witnesses interviewed were all perfectly sober," he added. "They were seen separately; their stories matched, and senior officers were impressed by their sincerity."

Is this, I wonder, nothing more serious than an epidemic of "Sputnichosis"?

Wait a minute!

Since the Russians launched Sputnik II, a rash of saucer sightings have been reported from Texas, Chicago, Mexico, South Africa, and the Fiji Islands.

Over the States an object described variously as a "bright light" and a "flaming cigar" careered eerily over a large area. Motorists who saw it at night say it stalled their motors, cut off their lights, and interfered with their radios.

At the Missile Development Centre near Alamogordo, New Mexico, an object alleged to be some 80ft. in diameter hovered over the concrete bunkers where the first experimental A-bomb was set off in 1942. A man who watched it said it gave out a heat wave: when he arrived home, he felt as if he had been sunburned.

Another object—or, maybe, it was the same—was picked up on a radar screen by the U.S. Coastguard cutter, Sebago.

NOT PROVEN

The U.S. Air Force investigated many of these reports but reiterated the findings of their report on "Project Bluebook", saying that 5,700 such reports had been made in the last ten years, but that on analysis they had found that there is "no physical or material evidence" that flying saucers exist.

Dr. Menzel, well-known "saucerers" said that the reports of cars stopping and lights being cut off were "quite spectacular. It would not be surprising that a nervous foot could stall an engine."

This week-end the Sunday Graphic tells of a strange object over Western Europe—"a ball shining like a nickel"—that was seen by telescopes at The Hague Observatory. The same object had been seen over Oslo, travelling north at high speed. It appeared hours before Sputnik II was due over Oslo and was described as looking larger than a star.

This mystery object gave out radio signals different to those transmitted by the two Sputniks. These signals were picked up in Norway and again in The Hague.

On November 20, 1957, during the rash of UFO sightings in the Western hemisphere [see Section XI] Air Force officers and many civilians near Bernholm, Denmark, saw a UFO flashing red and green lights as it swooped low above the water and over the island. At times the object hovered motionless. No sound could be heard. The Danish newspaper "Familie-blad" reported the sightings.

Fire Ball Over Wales Called Sputnik II

By the Associated Press.

LONDON, Nov. 29.—Watchers reported seeing a ball of fire wheeling high over Wales and the west of England today.

This touched off rumors that carrier rocket of the first Russian satellite was about to end its 56-day flight through space. But this was discounted by a spokesman at Jodrell Bank Observatory.

"We think the ball of fire was really Sputnik II circling its orbit," he said.

This view was backed up by Moscow Radio, which said the second satellite can be seen with the naked eye before sunrise in some parts of the world.

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Sputnik, but No Sputnik

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By the Associated Press.

ASTI, Italy, Nov. 29.—It sparkled and sputtered—but it wasn't a sputnik.

The object in the field on the Turin-Genoa road had a metallic glow and smoked. Up close it could be heard sputtering.

Fearful motorists thought it might be a sputnik come to earth.

But, police arrived, gingerly kicked at it, and then grinned. It was a fiberboard tube painted with luminous paint and with gasoline-soaked rags burning inside. They sputtered and smoked.

PROJECT 1st SPACE CRUISER

Russians Plan Rocket Plane

By HENRY SHAPIRO

MOSCOW, Dec. 1 (UP).—Russia is working on a "rocket plane" that looks like a combination jet fighter and space ship, in its campaign to be the first nation to achieve space flight, it was disclosed today.

The aviation publication Sovietskaya Aviatsia printed sketches today of such a plane and the accompanying description indicated it would cruise in space at speeds up to 10,000 miles an hour.

(A speed of about 25,000 miles an hour is required to hurl an object out of the earth's atmosphere into space.)

THE NEWSPAPER'S article on the plane, written by noted Soviet scientist V. Alexandrov, said "the rocket plane is the last phase in development of the plane before transition to interplanetary ship."

Alexandrov said it would be built in the shape of a jet plane, but with folding wings.

THE WINGS would be folded against the side for the flight in space itself.

Returning, the wings would be extended on reaching the earth's atmosphere, enabling the plane to slow down and glide in.

He admitted there were vast difficulties to be overcome before such a plane could be launched. And he touched only barely on problems of survival and the comfort of passengers and crew.

Sputnick's Rocket Or Giant Fireball?

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Dec. 1 (AP).—The Army reported today the Sputnik I rocket was believed to have fallen 100 miles southeast of here, but scientists quickly called the flaming object a giant fireball.

The Geophysical Institute of the University of Alaska described it as a "one in a million chance" that the fireball, or meteor, passed over Alaska at "plus or minus five minutes" of the time the rocket satellite was due over Fairbanks yesterday afternoon.

MEANWHILE United Press reported a "terrific explosion casting a light as big as a boxcar" and probably a meteor, startled residents on either side of the Montana - Saskatchewan border. oJhn Dodges, director of the Astrological Society of Regina, said there was a bare possibility it could have come from a fragment of the cone or pieces of the disintegrating rocket.)

Hamburg, Germany, reported a red-hot object about 20 inches in diameter plummeted into a field near there, but police said most likely it was a meteorite.

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 1 (AP).—British and American scientists agreed today that the rocket of Sputnik I must have plunged to its death.

Dr. Fred L. Whipple, director of Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory here, thinks the end of the rocket may have come on its 879th trip around the world last night.

Prof. Alfred Lovell, director of the huge radio telescope at Jodrell Bank, England, says his telescope failed to spot the rocket on seven possible passages today.

But Moscow Radio says it made its 886th trip around the world [illegible] today.

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Object Falls in Germany

HAMBURG, Germany, Dec. 1 (AP)—The German police informed the Hamburg Observatory that an unidentified glowing object was seen plunging from the sky into a moor south of here tonight.

An observatory spokesman said "apparently there is some belief it could be the carrier rocket of sputnik I. But it could as well be a meteorite."

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Al George, administrative assistant to the institute director, Dr. Christian T. Elvey, said that calls came in steadily for three hours yesterday from persons who had sighted the falling, glowing object.

He said that several scientists at the Institute also saw the object, and said its direction and speed put it in the meteor class.

The sighting was reported by the Institute to Vanguard Control, the Washington headquarters of the Office of Naval Research, which is in charge of tracking the Russian earth satellites and their rockets.

Mr. George said that the occurrence of fireballs of the size described here was extremely rare, and only two or three were seen throughout the world each year.

The Army report said that the rocket was believed to have fallen on the military reservation at 8:20 P. M. Eastern standard time.

This was only one minute after the Geophysical Institute had said the rocket would pass over the Fairbanks area.

LONDON, Dec. 1 (Reuters)—Professor Lovell said today he did not know what to make of the Moscow report that the rocket was on its 886th orbit. He said that if it still were orbiting it should be on its 889th trip.

"I don't see how the Russians could know," he said. "In any case they were wrong by three orbits. They were probably fishing for information."

Spy in the Sky

Le Havre, France, Dec. 4 (Reuters).—About 100 shipyard workers reported sighting a sky-flying object that gave off a red and green glow early today. 1957

THE NEW YORK TIMES, MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1957.

OBJECT FALLS IN TURKEY

Explodes in Wood After Flying Over Black Sea Town

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December 12, 1957: Capt. J.A. Miller, Trans-Canada Airline pilot, flying between Toronto and Windsor about 7 p.m., saw a whirling orange oval object at about 2000 feet altitude, moving at "a terrific rate of speed." The UFO flashed across Lake Erie and was seen over a wide area before swinging back over the lake and disappearing. Other witnesses included employees of Windsor airport and police from every detachment in Southern Essex County. [4]

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NORWAY SENSATION — When an unidentified flying object exploded over central Norway, air force experts swarmed all over the farm where the fragments came down. Widely believed to be either a sputnik or a foreign rocket, the object today was revealed to be a very local puffnik. Two farm boys admitted they had sent up an old German flare rocket just for fun.

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FLYING SAUCERS: THE EVIDENCE

They exist, but what are they?

By BRIAN J. FORD

THERE have been many reports recently of people who have seen "flying saucers" in the sky.

They include American scientists and meteorological experts, and many of them are "converted" to the possibility that we are being visited by strangers from another planet.

Indeed, a recent report in America, which finds explanations such as "hoax," "Venus playing tricks" and "delusion" has stated that "only 600-odd sightings cannot be so explained."

"Only"? (my italics).

Venus?

I'm afraid the idea of little green men in their round spacecraft has not yet appealed greatly to my own sense of reason. But neither can I accept that the sightings are complete "imagination."

Look back in the reports in the South Wales Echo alone, for example. The testimony is, if nothing else, interestingly consistent.

In 1957 a man saw a "pulsating red object above the sea" which officials promptly explained away as the planet Venus playing tricks. It is unfortunate that Venus was nowhere in our part of the sky at the time.

Later in the same year a "white object was seen moving over Cardiff, and then the Empire News reported that a "spinning top" had chased a lorry-full of workmen.

Two years later a dome-like object was seen over Swansea, followed by some "orange lights" and "pulsating discs."

Altogether there were about eight reports in 1957 alone, and many of them spoke either of a "pulsating red cylinder with a yellowish end," or a "silver ellipse."

And most of the reports are not from cranks. One object was seen by one of Wales's leading medical officers of health. He tells me that he saw a "metallic object high in the sky and moving as fast as any aeroplane I could imagine."

No wind

"It was silvery grey in colour and round, dome-shaped. Visibility was excellent, there was no wind, and the thing was out of sight within 45 seconds or so."

A balloon? Or an aeroplane? Or what? The doctor didn't know, and nor do I.

A staff-nurse saw another one bright morning, and watched it in disbelief. "I told my husband," she recalls, "and he watched with me as it suddenly shot up and out of sight of my window. . . .

"It looked like a bright silver ellipse, high in the sky."

So much for the "silvery ellipses." Quite similar reports have come from people who have seen the "red cylinders" too: one is from a group of people in Cardiff who in 1956 watched a cigar-shaped reddish object in the sky.

No trace

A keen amateur astronomer in Cardiff watched it with his telescope, and says, "It was unlike anything I have seen before."

Last year an engineer in Cardiff told me of a "reddish object like a post-box in the sky" and he, with several other bewildered motorists, watched it from Heathwood Road, Cardiff, for several minutes.

Not long ago several people reported seeing a bright disc, like a large star, moving silently across the sky. Well, that was merely Echo II, the American balloon satellite.

But these larger objects aren't so easily explained.

And consider the fascinating record from the USA Air Force records. A Captain Frank Mantell sighted a "large disc" in the air and he, with several other aeroplanes, followed it, reporting back as he did so.

Then he radioed back: "I am going to close in for a better look," and not a trace of him was ever seen again.

Well, do flying saucers exist? Of course they do. The only question is what they are, but even if only figments of the imagination they are certainly something.

They may not be Venus, or illusions, or men in spaceships; but they are something all right, and the "figment of the imagination" theory doesn't seem to fit in with the sensible detached people who have reported them.

They could, of course, be an electrical effect something like an aurora borealis. At least, this is the way I would try to account for them.

It may not be a good explanation—but have you a better one?

11/10/57 – Toulouse, France – Astronomer Jacques Chapuis reported observing a saucer-shaped object which followed a peculiar but apparently controlled course through the sky. Chapuis, who described the round object for 5 minutes from the Toulouse Observatory, said, "It was neither a meteor nor a star. It was something I had never seen before." He said it made 2 big curving maneuvers, then stopped, only to start again, then turned sharply straight up into the sky, out of sight.

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Another extremely important incident, January 16, 1958, was only sketchily reported in a few U.S. papers. Near Trindade Isle off the Brazilian east coast, the Almirante Saldanha, an IGY oceanographic vessel, saw and photographed a maneuvering disc-shaped UFO which made several passes over the area [See Section VIII; Photographs]. Marine photographer Almiro Barauna, officers and men on deck, sighted the UFO and Barauna obtained four good exposures of the object. The film was developed on board ship, the witnesses confirming that the Saturn-shaped images (disc with central flange) corresponded to what they had observed.

The impressive evidence created a stir in the Brazilian Congress. At first the Navy was cautious and secretive about the incident, but the President of Brazil, Mr. Juscelino Kubitschek, intervened at the request of a reporter and the photographs were published in the press. [17]

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Flying Saucer?

Brazilian Navy Vouches For Authenticity of Photo

This is one of several photos taken aboard a Brazilian Navy survey ship cruising off Trinidade Island, 700 miles from the Brazilian port of Vitoria on the Atlantic. The object in the sky in all the photos suggests a "flying saucer"—but what it actually is is unknown. The authenticity of the photos is vouched for by the Brazilian Navy Ministry.

Colonel Adil de Oliveira made another public statement in support of the reality of UFOs, on February 1958, a few days after the Trindade photos. He is still in a position of governmental responsibility, but was advised to keep his mouth shut for the future. They said him he was talking too much...." He told me this personally just a few months ago, when we had our first contact through a common friend. He is cordial to approaches by civilian researchers like myself (he said so), but he cannot talk freely for security reasons. However, he told me that—as I had guessed—the UFO problem was so serious that civilians investigators were not entitled to know certain things that have happened and are still happening. Why not? (I asked him). "Because the whole thing is a kind of nightmare, and you cannot do anything...." After this, he said he was talking about dangerous matters (for him), and it was better to stop. I do not wish to speculate about his words, Dr. Mebane, you may form your own opinion. But, please, keep this absolutely confidential—because I have no permission to spread it. Maybe he was testing me, maybe he was preparing the stage for something far more important he wants to tell me. I don't know, but I will keep you informed if any new development appears.

From letter 11/23/56 Hunter to Mebane

Dear Mebane—I would like to comment on your article—of the series "Shapes in the Sky"—published on the October issue of "FU", that about the Fortean aspects of USOLOGY. The article itself is, of course, very good as usual. It is outstanding example of the extraordinary quality of Ivan's work. Congratulations for it. However, there are some points on which I can give you some additional information; they are: (1) Discoidal UFOs - The convex lens with an edge [illegible] like two basins joined edge to edge, is not the real shape of the UFO photographed on January 16, 1958 at the island of Trindade. This UFO was shaped like an oblate spheroid with a kind of large rim, or ring, around its equator. Such a ring was rotating at tremendous speed, while the body of the object was not. I have many other sightings of similar objects: spherical UFOs encircled, at the equator, by a kind of rotating ring. It has been compared by some witnes sed to the planet Saturn because its peculiar shape suggests such a comparison. I believe such type of UFO was first seen at Oloron and Gaillac (France), in 1952. It was reported here, for the first time, on Nov. 7. Many sightings of similar objects have been made through my country since that date—some of them extremely impressive.

UFOs BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN

Saucer reports from Russia and the satellite countries are few and far between; the following appeared in Weltraumbote, German saucer publication, issue of July-Aug. 1958, pp. 15-16:

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OGONEK No. 11 March 9, 1958 page 21

"Quite recently on the outskirts of Moscow a strange fast-flying object appeared at the height of about three kilometers. Eye-witnesses affirmed a report that it looked like a disc of regular shape and of rather large proportions."

In 1958, replying to a NICAP query, the Norwegian Embassy stated: "Our Air Force's UFO material is mainly of security graded nature and cannot be put to the disposal of NICAP." [37]

During the winter of 1958, observers on the Finnish-Soviet border reported circular and cigar-shaped luminous objects maneuvering over Soviet territory near the Arctic Circle. Brilliantly glowing spherical "missiles," some of which moved vertically up and down, also were reported. [38]

ОГОНЕК No. 11 (March 9), 1958.

If there is any sense in it, it must be in the first sentence of an article on p. 21 about (Sukhanov) a "diskoplane" that somehow has burnt. Can't read it. Starts out:

"Nedavno v Podmoskovye na vysotye okolo trekh kilometrov poyavilsya strannyi, bystro letyashchii predmet. Ochevidtsy utverzhdali, chto eto burl pravilnoi formy disk sravnitelno bolshikh razmerov."

UFO OBSERVATIONS-RUSSIA-EARLY 1958 or late 1957

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THIS BUSY WORLD

Edited by Jim Garrett

West Coast Storm Hits Midwest

A dangerous storm whipped from the Pacific into the Midwest's plains area today. Behind it was an estimated five million dollars in California damage.

The storm had lost some of its punch, but it was still windy and wet. Much flooding was reported in California.

Fargo, N. D., wracked last week by sub-zero temperatures, practically roasted today in 68 degrees, a February high for that area. A 55-degree reading at Minneapolis was also a Feb. 26 high for that city.

Snows melted throughout the upper Plains and ice packs broke in rivers and small streams. Some areas were flooded.

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The worst blizzards in 11 years continued to paralyze Britain today. Damage ran into the millions of dollars. Six inches of snow was dumped on southern England, 11 inches in the north.

Brazilians "Sight" Flying Saucer

Is Seeing Believing?

Shown above is a photograph of a flying saucer taken from a Brazilian, Navy ship, the Almirante Saldanha, while cruising off Trindad Island, approximately 700 miles from Brazil. The Brazilian Navy Ministry swears it is an undoctored photo and vouches for its authenticity. Busy World presents it without comment.

Mystery Rocket Falls on Naples

NAPLES, Feb. 8 (INS).—Italian authorities investigated today the mystery of a two-foot-long rocket which crashed into a street here last night with a roar that caused widespread panic.

The missile tore a gaping hole three feet wide and three feet deep in the street.

Authorities said the missile obviously was of foreign orgin. It was not known whether it was fired from abroad or dropped from an aircraft.

No aircraft were reported in the vicinity at the time the rocket struck.

The local observatory said an unidentified "flying object" streaked over Naples from North to East at high speed during the night.

Eyewitnesses said they saw the rocket plunge from the sky. There was a serial number at its base.

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Platillo volador causa sensación general en Perú

LIMA, enero 31. (UP)—Un abogado, su esposa y su sobrino han dado cuenta aquí que la presencia de un "platillo volador a unos quinientos metros del suelo hizo apagar las luces del automóvil en que viajaban de Arequipa a Lima.

La presencia del "Platillo Volador" fué observada también por los pasajeros de un ómnibus y los ocupantes de un camión que hacían el mismo recorrido que el automóvil en referencia.

El doctor José Valencia Dongo y su esposa Teresa de Valencia, viajaban en automóvil conducido por su sobrino, Manuel Portocarrero, de Arequipa a Lima, y cuando se encontraban 371 kilómetros al norte de Arequipa, en la Carretera Panamericana, a las 11:45 de la noche, observaron que se apagaban y encendían las luces del coche.

El piloto tuvo que reducir la marcha y, como el aparente desperfecto se repetía, paró y bajó del automóvil, observando que un extraño cuerpo en el firmamento descendía sobre la tierra hasta quedarse quieto a un altura de quinientos metros.

Al parar el automóvil, interrumpieron su marcha un ómnibus y un camión que se dirigían a Lima por la misma carretera. Los demás ocupantes del coche y de los otros dos vehículos fueron testigos de la presencia del extraño cuerpo, que tenía forma de un "platillo volador" y era de color incandescente". A quinientos metros sobre la tierra se mantuvo en completa quietud durante ocho minutos, al cabo de los cuales desapareció en el cielo nublado.

El doctor Valencia Dongo dijo que los ocupantes de los tres vehículos experimentaron crisis nerviosa ante la aparición del extraño cuerpo sobre sus cabezas.

Enigma Hits Italian Road

Naples, Italy, Feb. 8 (Reuters). — A cylindrical object which crashed into a road near here during the night may be part of a long-range missile, army experts said today.

The object—believed to be metal and measuring 28 by 32 inches—was dug up by police at Ballaviata, near Mt. Vesuvius. After it was found to be stamped with a number, police handed it over to military authorities.

Villagers who heard a crash on Friday night rushed from their homes to find a hole in the road about a yard wide and 12 feet deep. Local observatories had reported a flying object.

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Broager, Denmark
Mid-April, 1958

Authorities were attempting to discover if there were any more witnesses to an observation of an apparent "mother ship" case.

A woman saw a large object emitting a number of glowing horse-shoe shaped objects.

The details, limited as they were, appeared in the New York Daily News around April 19.

In Montevideo, Uruguay, Milton W. Hourcade is one of the directors of the "Centro de Investigacion de Objetos Voladores Inidentificados (C.I.O.V.I.)." The group has investigated and compiled reports in Uruguay for many years, periodically exchanging data with NICAP.

One of the cases investigated by C.I.O.V.I. occurred May 5, 1958, near San Carlos. About 3:40 p.m., Carlos A. Rodriguez, an experienced and reputable pilot, was flying his piper aircraft in the vicinity of Capitan Curbelo Naval Air Base when he noticed a brilliant glowing object approaching his plane. The UFO stopped an estimated 2000 meters away and, according to the report, "it rocked twice in a balancing motion." [cf., Oct. 2, 1961, Salt Lake City, Utah, pilot sighting; Section I]. The object was shaped like a child's top, symmetrical above and below. As he closed to about 700 meters, Rodriguez felt intense heat in the cockpit and was forced to open the windows and door of the plane and remove his jacket. The UFO then took off, accelerating rapidly eastward toward the sea, leaving a thin vapor trail. [27]

At Johannesburg, April 11, 1958, H. P. Daniels (airport instrument inspector) and others watched a reddish-white UFO above the north horizon at night, moving back and forth east and west. "I have worked with aircraft for 18 years," Mr. Daniels said, "and the thing I saw was certainly no conventional plane. The speed was phenomenal and it sometimes became completely stationary, changing color from white to blood red." [55.]

In Kirchberg, Hunsruck, at 3:30 p.m., May 25, 1958, Gunter Henn (Master of Business Administration) with another person watched a glistening silver object, circular with spoke-like markings. The UFO descended on a slant, then moved horizontally into clouds. [50]

May 27, 1958. Near the Bahia State coast, a Varig airliner piloted by Cmdr. Bittar, was approached by a brightly luminous UFO with ball-like projections on the underside. The object maneuvered under the plane, hovered, then dove toward the sea. [21]

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Meteor-like Object Falls Near Village In Pingtung

A meteor-like object falling from the sky hit the earth near Fangliao Village in Pingtung *Hsien* last Thursday night. Authorities are investigating into the nature of the object which is reported to be of the size of a volleyball.

An eye-witness said that the "fireball" fell from the sky at about 9 p.m. Thursday and rebounded to a height of three meters before it fell to the ground again. It "burned" until after 11 p.m.

A group of curious villagers proceeded the next morning to the spot where the object fell. Two of them summoned up enough courage to touch the mysterious object, which was found to be still warm.

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For list of UFO sightings, June 1958

Sighting in Sydney, Australia, May 2, 1958 (heard by Herb Taylor on 11 a.m. news broadcast May 3):
Several glowing objects at intervals of a few seconds passed over big oil refinery. Russian sabotage attempts suggested by news commentator.

SIGHTING REPORT

Date	May 26 ~~June~~ 1958 at 3 p.m. (Probably June — correct here)
Location	Uldorf, Germany (on west bank of Rhine, north of Bonn)
Source of report	Mrs. Frederick C. Lee, Binghamton NY in letter dated 26 ~~June~~ 1958 referring to the time of the sighting as "just a month ago today" (?)
Description	Her son was mowing the lawn when he saw 3 large "birds" across the Rhine to the east, within the NE quadrant about 30 to 40 degrees above the eastern horizon. The objects moved slowly up the river (south). Mrs. Lee observed them through binoculars for about 15 minutes, during which time they travelled at least 40 degrees southward and gained altitude. They were bat-shaped, black with a broad creamy band on posterior edge of the "wings"; they circled each other without "flapping" their wings; witness was particularly struck by easy discernibility of the creamy band and was certain that they were <u>not birds</u> because they were too big and did not flap wings.
Comment	Witness states in her letter that the sighting <u>coincided with details of a dream she had had several years before</u>.

1958

(on the Rhine north of Bonn)

<u>May 26, Uldorf, Germany</u>: CSI member Mrs. Frederick C. Lee of Binghamton, N. Y., was ~~there~~ visiting her son in Germany. He was mowing the lawn when he saw three large "birds" across the Rhine, ~~to the east~~ within the NE quadrant and about 30 to 40 degrees above the eastern horizon. The objects were <u>bat-shaped</u>, black with a broad creamy band on the posterior edge of the "<u>wings</u>", <u>which did not</u> move. Mrs. Lee watched them through binoculars for about 15 minutes as they moved slowly up the river, circling each other, at least 40 degrees southward, gaining altitude.

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Phone 2-8139

April 23,1959

Miss Isabel L. Davis
Civilian Saucer Intelligence
of New York
67 ane Street
New York, N.Y.

Dear Miss Davis:

I had forgotten about my letter, the Jersey saucers, and my dream. Yes, the objects could have been gliders, but they were just the shape you see pictured of bat-winged saucers. They were maneuvering in almost impossible manner for gliders; something like this(if I can draw it)

they did not circle all the time (Spiral As they rose, they went round & round (from the ground appeared a tight circle)

I watched them about 2 minutes, passed the glasses to my daughter-in-law then lost them to view on next scanning as they were rising so rapidly up the Rhein. I do not know how much wind, but very little as we were out mowing the lawn, and enjoying the warm day. There were a few clouds--very high. I cannot judge altitude very well. They were at least 20 minutes in view as Edward Lee, my son, first saw them and didn't call us till they had gained such altitude and far up the Rhein in the Sx quadrant. We saw them low across the river (their house is right on the banks at Uedorf, outside Bonn, on the Cologne side).

So I haven't had any more dreams; but I know dreams have a definite connection to happenings--past and future. This I KNOW, but always, is this true.

But let me tell you of something more Mr Athless, Mrs. Sorensen says is you watch the skies a week you will surely see something and this is true. Military planes are running over Binghamton every night and last Friday, April 17th at 9:30, I was watching from my roof (a flat roof over the one-story room at the back of our house) and in the Sx quadrant between Arcturus and Spica (I think I have them right), the plane maneuvered about a darting star-like light for ten minutes til I lost both plane and light. It went like lightening in a rather confined area possibly 20 by 15 degrees, the longer in vertical positions. This light was bright and yellow. Tuesday evening, at the same time, the plane went over and in the same area, a very bright red light went through the same darting and maneuvering. The plane left in early + was lost to view before the light left on maneuvering

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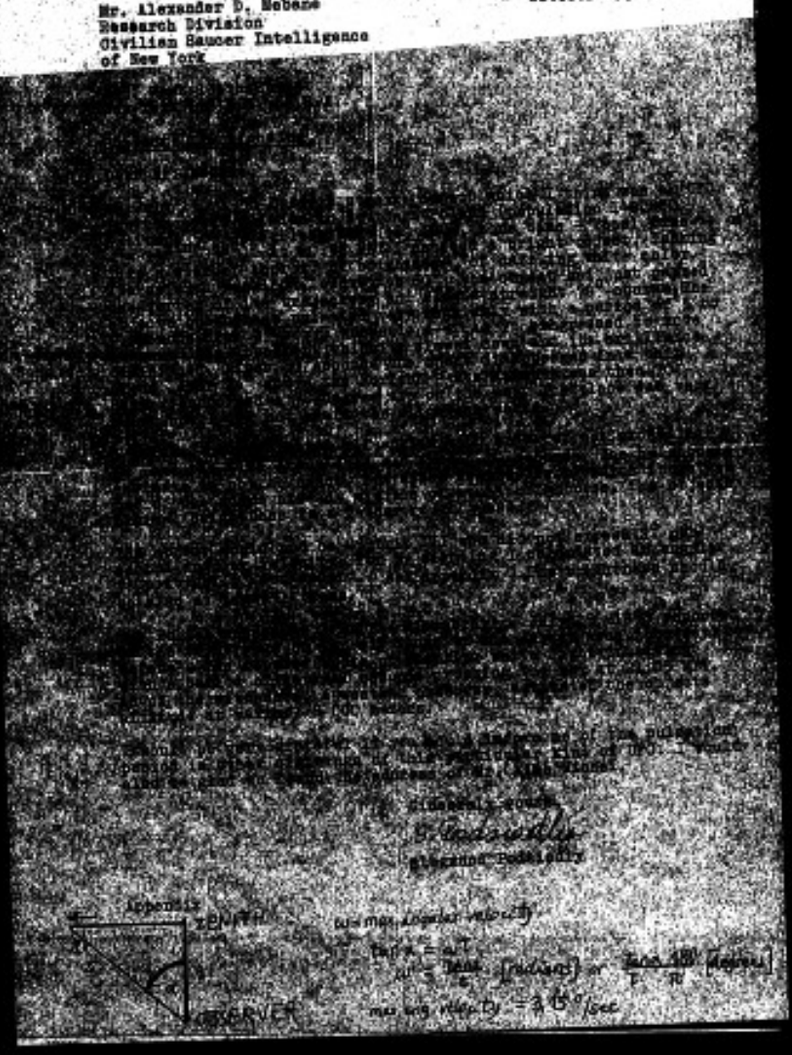
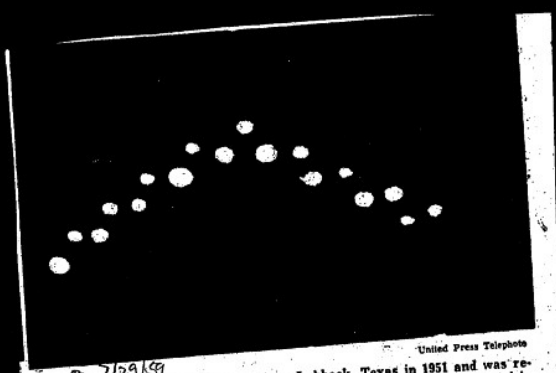
Germany

October 27, 1961

Mr. Alexander D. Mebane
Research Division
Civilian Saucer Intelligence
of New York





United Press Telephoto

This formation of lights was seen over Lubbock, Texas in 1951 and was reported by the Air Force then as the most unexplainable sighting observed in a four-year history of flying saucer reports.

on 7/29/59

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Honolulu Advertiser 59

'UFO' Seen Here Last July

"Flying saucers" were last sighted over Oahu a year ago this month.

Three different reports of unidentified flying objects cropped up last July 29. They reportedly were seen in three different areas.

1958

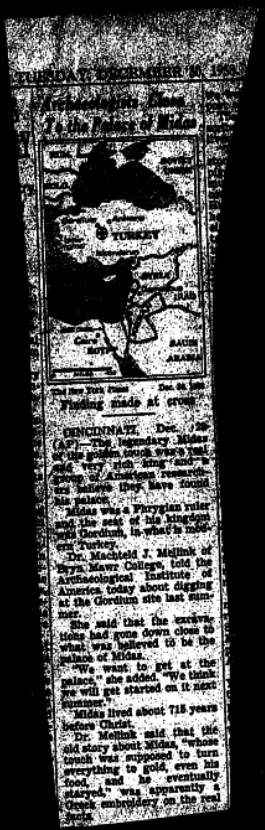
SEVERAL PEOPLE living on New Jersey Ave. reported spotting an object which streaked across the sky about 8 p.m. They said it resembled Sputnik III.

Picnickers at Ala Moana Park said they saw an object moving through the sky about the same time.

They described it as "resembling a star," and said it was in sight about one minute.

EARLY THE SAME day, a Schofield civilian employe said he spotted a "pure white object shaped like a flat sphere" moving across the sky at 3 p.m.

"It had no wings or other protruding parts. It definitely wasn't an airplane," he said.



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1959

The Times of Milo

TURKEY

SYRIA

IRAN

Gulf of SUEZ

SAUDI ARABIA

The New York Times Dec. 10, 1959

Finding made at gravesite

CINCINNATI, Dec. 10 (AP)—The legendary Midas of the golden touch was a real, and very rich, king after all, a professor of Archeology reported today. He said they have found his palace.

Midas was a Phrygian ruler and the seat of his kingdom was Gordium, in what is now central Turkey.

Dr. Machteld J. Mellink of Bryn Mawr College, told the Archaeological Institute of America today about digging at the Gordium site last summer.

She said that the excavations had gone down close to what was believed to be the period of Midas.

"We want to get at the palace," she added. "We think we will get started on it next summer."

Midas lived about 718 years before Christ.

Dr. Mellink said that the old story about Midas, "whose touch was supposed to turn everything to gold, even his food, and he eventually starved," was apparently a Greek embroidery on the real facts.

September 1958

Gordium, Turkey

American woman archeologist at the Gordian site was alone at the "dig house" one evening; about 10 p.m. she saw an orange object, approximately globular, descend vertically to the ground - area is flat and unpopulated - some distance away; could not estimate distance, but if it had been an airplane she would have heard the noise. Size also unknown, but comparison was made with a "butter plate." No noise. Object remained on the ground, pulsating, for about 2 hours, during which time it changed from orange to red. Rose vertically and disappeared in the sky. Witness did not go out to investigate; frightened. (Has never been interested in saucers; phlegmatic type). Other archeologists not much int. in her report, said "lots of private airplanes around now." Witness wrote to friends in Athens about the incident; they are Americans & much interested in saucers. When witness came to Athens they plied her with questions - some of the above information resulted from these questions. They forwarded her original letter and the additional facts obtained by questioning her to Barbara Holld, who reported it by telephone to IID Fri. eve. 1/16/59.

THE NEW YORK TIMES, SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 1959.

U. S. ARCHEOLOGISTS SEEK MIDAS' TOMB

Special to The New York Times.

PHILADELPHIA, April 4—A University of Pennsylvania archeological expedition has begun its ninth year of excavation in Turkey. This time it is searching for the palace of King Midas of the legendary golden touch.

This year the digging is to continue into September on the site of Gordium, capital of ancient Phrygia, about fifty miles southwest of modern Ankara.

It was there, in 333 B. C., according to legend, that Alexander the Great, unable to untie knotted reins on an oxcart, cut the Gordian knot with his sword. For this feat, as promised by the oracle, he went on to conquer the world.

Before leaving for Turkey, Dr. Rodney S. Young, expedition leader and curator of the University Museum's Mediterranean section, said he and his colleagues had uncovered a 100-foot long wall of a palace-like structure last year that obviously had belonged to some powerful leader.

There were indications, he said, that the structure was burned down by a force of marauding barbarian tribesmen, known as the Cimmerians, around 685 B. C.

During previous years of work at the Anatolian Plateau site, the University Museum expedition has excavated fifteen tombs, including that of King Gordius, the father of Midas.

Resumen In

VEN "PLATILLO VOLADOR" EN ARGENTINA

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 7—(UPI)—Los "platos voladores" ausentes de los cielos argentinos —a de la mente de sus observadores— desde hace largo tiempo, han reaparecido espectacularmente.

El piloto civil Rfl N. López, de Resistencia, provincia de Chaco, declaró que cuando volaba con su avión a 2,500 metros en las inmediaciones de la localidad de "La Verde" vió un extraño disco de unos 30 pies de diámetro, con una cúpula en su cara superior. Agregó que cuando intentó acercarse, el extraño aparato comenzó a despedir luces de tono verde-rojizo y a girar velozmente, para ascender con gran rapidez y desaparecer en la altura. Sostuvo López que mientras estaba cerca del objeto no identificado, el motor de su avión aumentó extraordinariamente el número de revoluciones, pero que volvió al ritmo normal cuando el "platillo" desapareció.

On Fri. Oct. 24, 1958

Untitled Durban, So. Africa paper,
October 26, 1958 (F. McLorn.)

HE SAW [illegible]REE SAUCERS

Durban South Africa

VAALHART[illegible]

THREE unidentified [illegible]saucers. He described them as being about 50ft. in diameter, with circular lights shining from their [illegible]eger in the ni[illegible] peripheries. The objects hovered Vaalhartz last night over the area for about 10 minutes Lieut. Frans Venter and then suddenly disappeared. convinced the objec[illegible] Supa.

PLATILLOS VOLADORES POR EL BRASIL . . .

En un informe oficial dado a la publicidad se dice que un extraño objeto sin identificar, estuvo volando—en forma de platillo volador— sobre Brasilia, la futura capital del Brasil. El "platillo" atrajo la atención de más de 500 personas. . . . El extraño objeto apareció alrededor de las 4 de la tarde del 9 de noviembre. . . . Un avión de la fuerza aérea del Brasil se elevó sobre unos 3,000 (tres mil) metros tratando de investigar o encontrarse con el "objeto volador". El avión regresó sin resultados. . . . El comandante del aeroplano dijo que el "platillo" volaba a una altitud de unos 12,000 (doce mil) metros. . . . Las autoridades brasileras no han querido hacer comentarios al particular, pero el público sí; en la calle ronda el rumor de que el "objeto extraño" que volaba sobre Brasilia puede ser un "satélite" de los enviados a la luna, y que se desvió de su ruta "por motivos de los vientos" . . . ¡Vaya uno vientos! . . . — El Diario de Nueva York, Nov. 24 (?) 1958. From Carlos Perez.

Mystery flash lights channel

PLYMOUTH—England (AP) —A blue-green flash blazed over the western end of the English Channel last night.

The brilliant light lasted about five seconds and was sighted by dozens of ships and Coast Guard units. It set off a flurry of activity at the Royal Air Force sea rescue center here, but authorities reported no plane was missing in the area.

A Meteorological Office spokesman in London said "it is unlikely to have been caused by lightning or some other meteorological origin."

A Coast Guardsman in southwest Cornwall said "for a few seconds the whole sky was lit up with a great big blue glare that was nothing like a rocket or anything else I know."

Eyewitnesses in the channel islands called it a "powerful green light."

BERMUDA or BAHAMAS by Plane or SHIP—JOS. H. BYRNE CO. HA 2-1700 —Adv.

NEWARK (N.J.) Star-Ledger

Nov. 2, 1958

Translation of an article, "Latające talerze" nad Polską, which appeared as the lead article in issue 260-261 (December 1958) of the Polish popular illustrated magazine Dookoła świata. Done into English by Dr. Henryk Bador, with stylistic polishing by A. D. Mebane. Although important sections are rendered as nearly verbatim as possible, some of the journalistic padding was omitted by the translator.

" FLYING SAUCERS " OVER POLAND

by St. Szwarc-Bronikowski

...After a long wait at Łysej Polanie, I finally got hold of the man I was waiting for... Emerging from the Czech astronomical observatory, our atomic-physical engineer Olgierd Wołczek agreed, with some surprise, to participate in our investigation of Carpathian "flying saucers."

(Translators' note: The area involved is in the far south of Poland, on the border of Czechoslovakia, at the foot of the Tatra mountains which are part of the Carpathian system.)

...Another nervous moment occurred in Zakopane, when our party was joined by the editor Andrzej Trepka, a believer in the extraterrestrial origin of the so-called "NOL" (Niezidentyfikowane Obiekty Latające.) ...(Also two press representatives, one a believer and one a sceptic)...We set off in the direction of Myślenice.

On the way we stopped off to interview Mr. R.G., the author of an intriguing letter about flying saucers over Poland, who has himself been an eyewitness to two such objects. He is a middle-aged man, loquacious, who has a B.S. degree in science. At the outset he requested us not to print his name, his address, or his profession. He tried to tell his story with moderation and objectivity, but this disguise was not too convincing: one could see underneath it that the subject arouses passionate enthusiasm in him. R.G. told us:

Three Balls And The False Sun

"We had been living in Milówka, south of Żywiec. One day in January 1957, in the afternoon, my wife called me out on the balcony. In the sky to the left of the mountain peak, in the direction of Istebna (W by S--Trans.), I saw three bright balls. They were all of the same size, and arranged in an equilateral triangle... (at my request, the observer made the following sketch):

Engineer Wołczek: What size were these balls?

R.G.: Several times smaller than the apparent size of the sun. They appeared to be 12-15 kilometers away, and several tens of meters in diameter.

W.: How did you determine that?

R.G.: They seemed to be directly above the mountain and at the same distance. Since I knew the distance to the mountain--

Editor Trepka: What was their direction with respect to the sun?

R.G.: About 90 degrees to its left. (This may mean that the sun was 90° to the left of the objects, i.e., due S; as given, the answer is impossible--Translators.) They were orange in colour, brilliantly luminous, but not so bright as to cast shadows. This lasted a long time. I don't recall

when they disappeared.

Editor Neugebauer: Can you be sure they were not balloons?

R.G.: I doubt it: as a glider pilot, I cannot believe that balloons could maintain such a precise position in an area of very variable wind.

Us: What, then, was your opinion about the phenomenon?

R.G.: I had once read in the press that the residents of Dębica, near Stalowa Wola, saw the Germans release a flaming sphere of immense size. I therefore conjectured that this was a trial of some new weapon.

Trepka: Do you think it could have been "flying saucers"?

R.G.: I don't maintain that they were extraterrestrial objects, but at least, their clear-cut circular outline seems to rule out sun reflections...

Us: Who else saw this phenomenon?

R.G.: I don't remember. Many people spoke of it to me, but I can't recall exactly who they were. But this was seen by far fewer people than the next one I'll tell you about, which was observed by about 80% of the population of Milówka.

I saw this either the next day, or else immediately after the other one. (According to the translator, Dr. Bader, this surprising expression of uncertainty is actually in the text. I might conjecture that it should read "either the next day, or xxxxxxxxxx at least in the next few days" --ADM.) This time, too, my wife called me out on the balcony. When I came out I saw the sun--but in the wrong place. At first it was difficult to tell which of the two spheres was the sun. The strange ball, however, was of a different colour: blood-red. It bathed the whole area in its light. Again, I don't remember how long it was before this phenomenon disappeared."

Sun, or Cloud?

The second witness, R.G.'s wife, who had been absent during her husband's story, was extremely cautious in her statements. She tried to say little, to stick to facts, and to emphasise her sceptical attitude toward the importance of the matter. She eyed us with some anxiety, apparently concerned lest the publicity might injure her husband's professional position.

Mrs. G.'s account differed in some respects from that of her husband:

"I noticed a strange light reflection (she is describing the second phenomenon) over the Zawada mountain, to the southeast, to the left of the sun. It was smaller than the sun, round in shape, and its colour was like... It was like the sun, but blurry, like... like a little cloud."

Wolczek: Was the object moving?

Mrs. G.: I didn't notice whether it moved or not.

Us: What can you tell us about the three balls that appeared in the same place and almost at the same time, which your husband has told us of?

Mrs. G.: I can't say anything about it. I don't know...

R.G.: But, dear, don't you remember...(and he again described the first incident.)

Mrs. G.: (after thinking): I don't remember seeing it. (The two look at each other with obvious annoyance.)

Leaving Mr. R.G. to the mercies of his wife, we left in search of further "flying saucers."

A Dematerialised Witness

Our witness of Myślenice, Mrs. K., had disappeared without a trace. We called at her house every hour, day and night, and made inquiries of the neighbours. She was not at home. Undoubtedly Mrs. K., who knew in advance that we were coming, was afraid of the publicity. It is a pity, for she would have been a prime witness. Hers is the only one of all the observations that resembles the French and American descriptions of "flying saucers."

Only after our return to Warsaw did we receive a letter, from a neighbour of Mrs. K. who asks us not to print her name, enclosing an account of the phenomenon dictated by Mrs. K. This account (#3 in the cases described in this article) follows.

A Silvery Hat

It happened this year, in Myślenice. It was a fine day in July, between 9 and 10 in the morning. Mrs. K., with a relative, Mr. Wacyslaw Russek (a well-known sportsman in his time, now a coach and judge in the State sports competitions), was walking on the road between Skały and the sawmill. Suddenly she noticed a silvery-white round object, convex on top, similar to a hat in shape, moving through the air. It was coming from the direction of the town, shining like a mirror in the sunlight, and rocking from side to side. It seemed larger than an airplane, about 20 meters in diameter, and she thought it was at an altitude of 500 meters. Its bottom was flat; Mrs. K. noticed no details in its cupola. Suddenly the object turned around and departed with higher velocity in a northeasterly direction, toward the village of Borzęta, disappearing behind the mountains. Mrs. K. stood there in astonishment, wondering "What is this aircraft?" She had never heard of "flying saucers."

It should be emphasised that this is only second-hand evidence: although written under Mrs. K.'s direction, it was not signed by the witness.

Sportsman Sees Discus

Mr. Wladyslaw Russek of Krakow gives a different account of the incident.

In the middle of June (not July) he was in Myślenice, and in the morning, about 10 or 11 o'clock, he was on the road that runs southward to Zakopane, with his relative. The witness suddenly noticed a silvery object high in the air over the lumberyard. Many people were watching it with interest, including a motorcyclist from Zakopane who had stopped to watch it. The object seemed to be about 1000 meters up; its

apparent size was a little smaller than that of the sun. The silvery object in no way resembled a balloon or any other aircraft: it was lens-shaped, very much like a disc. It was not self-luminous. It stood motionless for about 15 minutes, then rose and disappeared high in the sky.

The strangest thing was that the disc was rocking back and forth in the air, tilting from horizontal to vertical and back again. It made a weird impression on the spectators. All said that they had never seen anything like it.

This witness signed his statement.

" Horrible White Ball "

We found our next witness in Milówka, in the district of Żywiec. A cheerful, friendly woman, Mrs. Otylia Strzelczyk talked to us with much vivacity and gesticulation. Her story was told without hesitation, but with no attempt to dramatise or embellish. Her account, quoted below in her original Silesian dialect, conveys her sincere emotion and bewilderment. (The incident described is Case #2--Trans.)

"There were many people...we had such a noise...we went on the balcony and we saw such a horrible white ball, in this place (she points toward the south)--bright, like the sun, but one could look at it."

Wołczek: How big was it?

O.S.: Much bigger than the sun--it reflects... In another place there was another ball, but not so bright...

Trepka: Does this mean that, counting the sun, there were three?

O.S.: Well...seems like three, yes.

W.: How high up was the brightest ball?

O.S.: Well, it was high above the horizon. Far from the sun. The sun was in one direction, the ball was to the left--and soon after we came out, to the left of it the new one appeared.

Us: Was the other one motionless?

O.S.: She was moving toward the west.

Us: When did this happen?

O.S.: Last summer.

Us: In summer? We were told it was in the winter.

O.S.: Oh, it was summer! It was very warm.

Us: Did you see three smaller bright balls that appeared in the sky another day?

O.S.: I didn't see them myself--I didn't want to go outside--but I heard them talking about it. My son-in-law saw them. He was born here--I wasn't--and he says that hereabouts one often sees signs in the sky.

Us: Where is your son-in-law now?

O.S.: He went to look for a job in Katowice.

W.: Did you hear that a year ago, in winter, local people travelling at night from Bielsko also saw a sphere?

O.S.: Yes, yes, they were talking! My daughter saw it too. It was red, the snow was like sprayed with blood.

"It Is Splitting!"

On the subject of this red ball seen at night, Mrs. Elżbieta Kuśnierz, about 30, who works at the Silników Electrical Works #8 in Bielsko, spoke quietly and thoughtfully:

"A year ago, in winter, at night, I was returning home by train from my work on the second shift. We noticed a light-reflection on the snow: it was Bordeaux-colour. We noticed something red in the sky just above the hilltops. It was red, and it was moving."

Trepka: Are you sure it was moving?

E.K.: Going away from Bielsko, I saw "it" on the right side, and then later I had to move to the left window.

Us: Perhaps the railroad line is curving?

E.K.: From Milówka the train runs straight. (Actually, the railroad from Bielsko to Milówka is not a straight line, but runs via Żywiec, so these directions need clarification before motion of the object can be accepted as proved by this evidence--Trans.)

Us: We were told that the engineers stopped the train when they saw the phenomenon.

E.K.: No. But when the train was standing in the Kodygowice station, people got ~~xxxx~~ out and stood on the platform to watch it.

Neugebauer: Did people say it was a new type of weapon?

E.K.: No. They said it was a sign from God; they spoke of miracles.

W.: How would you describe the size of the ball or disc?

E.K.: Bigger than the moon, the same size as the sun.

W.: According to ~~careful~~ observers, the sun and the moon ~~are~~ the same size.

E.K.: But the sun seems bigger, doesn't it, because of the rays coming from it? This was bigger too.

Trepka: Was it flat or round?

E.K.: It was like the sun.

Neugebauer: Was the light brilliant?

E.K.: Not dazzling--it was easy to look at it. It was deep red.

Us: Couldn't it have simply been the moon, rising or setting?

E.K. (with deep conviction): It certainly was not the moon!

W.: What else happened?

E.K.: While we were watching it, a woman cried out: "Look, it is splitting!" And in fact, it had split and was spreading into two bands much wider than the moon, straight bands, but with unsharp edges. Then it disappeared above the hills.

Us: Do you know the addresses of any other persons who saw this phenomenon?

E.K.: It was seen by all the commuters between Cieszyn and Rajcza.

The conclusions of our three investigators of Carpathian "flying saucers"--editor Trepka, engineer Wołoczek and editor Bronikowski--will appear in the next issue.

Illustrations:

The background of the first page is a full-page reproduction of Adamski's "Mother Ship Releasing Scout Craft #3" from Inside The Space Ships. No reference is made to this picture, for which there is no caption or credit.

The colour picture at the top of p. 4 is captioned: "This picture shows the Milówka area. In this part of the sky, two fiery spheres were seen near the sun."

The illustration at lower left shows Mrs. Otylia Strzelczyk of Milówka talking to Trepka (left) and Wołoczek.

The illustration at lower right shows Mrs. E. Kuśnierz making a tape recording for author Bronikowski.

The illustration at the end, on p. 32, is captioned: "This is a supposedly authentic picture of a flying saucer which was printed in the Western press (from our No. 246.) The luminous object described by Mrs. E. Kuśnierz resembled this."

(It is a portion of the picture by Bert Bula, or Buhler, which appears on p. 76-77 of Max Miller's book, and has been accidentally reproduced sideways.--ADM.)

Cf.: photograph by Dr. Stanisław Kowalczewski (sketched & described in *Saucers, Space, & Science*, Aug. 1959.) This was taken Dec. 22, 1958, in Muszyna, which is not very far to the east of the region here concerned, & similarly on the northern slope of the Carpathians. As in case #2 here, an object resembling the sun was seen in the S, a 90°. to the left of the sun which was in the W, and was at first mistaken for the sun. Photograph shows no bright object, but 2 dark ones of domed-disc shape.

From Orbis-Terrarum (Zürich, Switzerland, ed. J. Heinrich Rages) #43/45 (Oct.-Dec. 1959), pages 30-31.

ON DECEMBER 28, 1958 OVER MOSZYNA, POLAND...

Through the kindness of M. S. Marcinkowski, an engineer of Warsaw, we have obtained an original print of the photograph reproduced on the cover of this issue. It was taken on Dec. 28, 1958 in Moszyna (near the Carpathian health resort of Krynica) by Dr. Stanislaw Kowalczewski, M.D., of Andrzejowska Street 6-8, Warsaw 42. It has been published in the newspaper Expo Nowosci (Cracow, Feb. 12, 1959) together with the following account, which we copy in somewhat abbreviated form:

"I spent Christmas of 1958 in Moszyna. As another photographer, I expected to have a number of pictures by daylight /i.e., outdoors--ADM/.

"About 10 o'clock /A.M./ while looking out the window, I noticed a strange reflection object, as if the last rays of the setting sun were shining through the clouds. I had experience as yellow filters, and thought that the intense orange-yellow beam was coming from the clouds. Using the mountain landscape /this appears to mean that he used a yellow filter to give photographic results similar to those obtained with a yellow filter--ADM./ This appeared me to make the picture as natural as possible.

"The picture shows the sound from Zegiestow, the railway line, and in the background the mountain ridge [illegible] forested mountain ridge. The distance to this ridge is about 2½ kilometers.

"Just before I pressed the shutter-release, there emerged from the clouds an orange-yellowish disc, which I took for the sun. However, when I obtained the print a few days later, I was astonished to see on it a peculiar dark object, resembling a fish [illegible]. [illegible] of this sun. The photograph shows clearly, by the presence of the trees, that it was the sun at the moment of taking the picture and not [illegible] on the right, outside the picture area."

After furnishing details on camera and film, the photographer concludes:

"Photographic experts who have examined the film and the photograph are of the opinion that the image on the negative is authentic, but they cannot explain what caused it. However, it may be pointed out that it is similar in form to the "flying saucers" we hear of in the foreign press."

--Translation into German by M. S. Marcinkowski.

For our own part we can add that Dr. Kowalczewski now takes a lively interest in UFOs, and has asked for a good book about them; we were happy to send him Keyhoe's "Flying Saucers from Outer Space."

In Poland recently several technical journals--and others--e.g. the aviation magazine Nur Zolnierz Polski of Aug. 31, 1958--have written about "saucers", and moreover, hoax done on it by various pens. The same may be said of the Czechoslovakian Kridla Vlasti (#18, 1958), a periodical devoted to aviation topics. This year, too, a Polish UFO study group has been organized. Its founder, Kazimierz Zaleski (Warsaw 97, P.O.B. 1), making his debut in public with articles and leaflets [illegible] lectures.

[--Translation into English by A. D. Mebane.]

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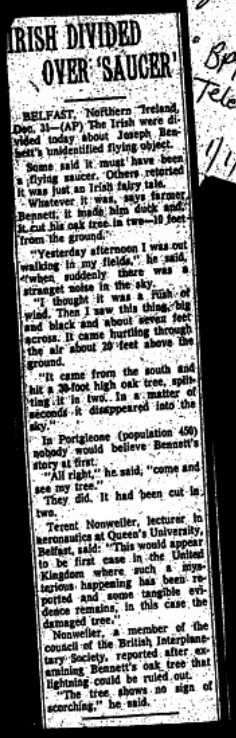

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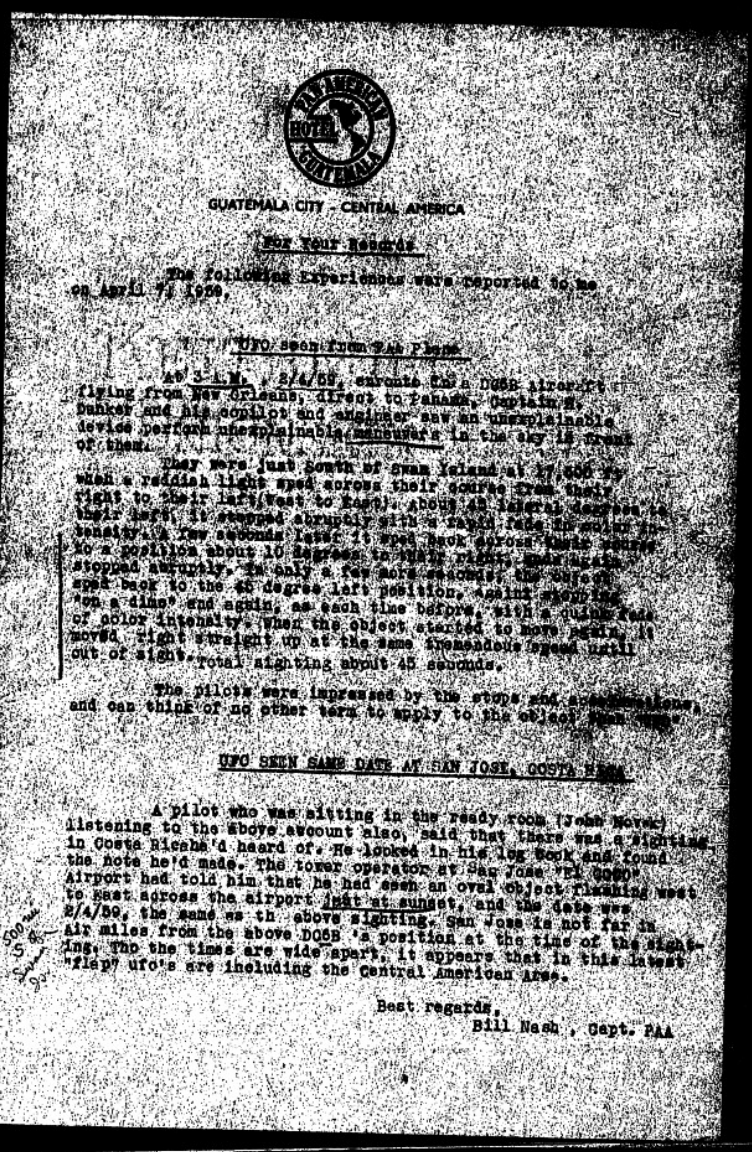

PAN AMERICAN HOTEL GUATEMALA

GUATEMALA CITY - CENTRAL AMERICA

FOR Your Records

The following Experiences were reported to me on April 7, 1950.

1. UFO seen from DC4 Plane.

At 3 A.M., 2/4/50, enroute to a DC4 Aircraft flying from New Orleans, direct to Panama, Captain W. Dunker and his copilot and engineer saw an unexplainable device perform unexplainable maneuvers in the sky in front of them.

They were just south of Swan Island at 17,000 ft. when a reddish light sped across their course from their right to their left (west to East), about 45 lateral degrees to their left, it stopped abruptly with a rapid fade in color intensity. A few seconds later it shot back across their course to a position about 10 degrees to their right, made again, stopped abruptly. In only a few more seconds, the object sped back to the 45 degree left position, again showing "on a dime" and again, as each time before, with a quick fade of color intensity. When the object started to move again, it moved right straight up at the same tremendous speed until out of sight. Total sighting about 45 seconds.

The pilots were impressed by the stops and accelerations, and can think of no other term to apply to the object than ufo.

UFO SEEN SAME DATE AT SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA.

A pilot who was sitting in the ready room (John Novak) listening to the above account also, said that there was a sighting in Costa Ricahe'd heard of. He looked in his log book and found the note he'd made. The tower operator at San Jose "El Coco" Airport had told him that he had seen an oval object flaming west to east across the airport just at sunset, and the date was 2/4/50, the same as th above sighting. San Jose is not far in air miles from the above DC4B 's position at the time of the sighting. Tho the times are wide apart, it appears that in this latest "flap" ufo's are including the Central American Area.

Best regards,
Bill Nash, Capt. PAA

'Balloon fire'

SALISBURY, Sunday.—People living in the Borrowdale area, ten miles from the centre of Salisbury, said to-day that they had seen a balloon-shaped object, spurting orange flame, moving slowly across the sky between 7.10 and 7.20 this morning. Mail 2/(12)/59, N. York

Was It Flying Saucer?

also Detroit Free Press 2/27

By WILLIAM H. STONEMAN

L.I. PRESS-CHICAGO NEWS FOREIGN WIRE

LONDON—"A real flying saucer" is reported to have been seen over London Airport by four reliable witnesses on Feb. 26.

British Air Ministry officied the object as "unidentified," which means that it is not believed to have been either a stray weather balloon, a searchlight beam playing on a cloud, a planet, or any of the other things that are commonly mistaken for saucers.

The object consisted of a "glowing disk" which is reported to have hovered over the airport for 20 minutes.

The traffic control officer in the airport tower reported that he had examined the thing with binoculars without being able to identify it.

The fact that radar failed to react to it led to the theory that it was probably a searchlight reflection but investigation indicated there were no clouds in the sky at the time.

Officials also turned down the theory that it might have been the planet Venus.

The object was estimated to have been about 200 feet above the ground.

The report was taken seriously enough to be broadcast to the entire British nation by BBC on its home program this morning.

Objeto volador no identificado sobre un aeropuerto británico

LONDRES, marzo 6. (UPI).—Un pálido disco amarillento que estuvo suspendido durante 20 minutos sobre el aeropuerto de Londres el 26 de febrero último y luego se elevó perdiéndose de vista, fue calificado por el Ministerio británico de Aviación como un objeto volador no identificado.

El Ministerio dice que el extraño objeto fue visto el día mencionado por lo menos por 4 testigos dignos de confianza, que lo estudiaron con binoculares durante varios segundos.

Uno de los técnicos de control de vuelos del aeropuerto agilizó su sistema de radar sobre la zona en que se veía el objeto pero no pudo encontrar su imagen en la pantalla de radar.

Los funcionarios del aeropuerto se negaron a dar los nombres de los cuatro testigos conocidos, que vieron el disco en el aire. El Comando de la Real Fuerza Aérea en Stanmore dio a conocer una descripción oficial del objeto.

La Real Fuerza Aérea dice que el objeto no identificado era "una brillante luz amarillenta que variaba en intensidad, situada a unos 60 metros de altura.

"Se mantuvo en una posición durante alrededor de 20 minutos y luego se elevó, alejándose a gran velocidad", dice el informe.

Se trató de explicar el fenómeno diciendo que podría haber sido la luz del planeta Venus, que por la noche se ve en el cielo occidental por un breve período.

Pero uno de los testigos presenciales manifestó: "No podía haber sido más distinta de una estrella. Era más bien como el reflejo de una luz, tal como el que hace un reflector en las nubes. Pero no había nubes en el cielo".

El Diario de N.Y.? March 7, 1959(?)

THURSDAY MARCH 12, 1959

Plane Crash False Alarm

Associated Press.

LONDON, March 12.—A report that an American plane had crashed in the English Channel last night set off a massive search but proved a false alarm.

For three hours, a dozen naval ships and freighters joined rescue aircraft in scouring the area off the Isle of Wight where two civilians said they saw the plane afire. A check of all military and civilian airports failed to show any planes missing.

On 2/26

14 ★ CHICAGO DAILY NEWS, Fri., March 6, '59

HARBINGER OF SPRING

Strange Disk Just A Tricky Planet

LONDON—(UPI)—The British air ministry sheepishly admitted Friday that the strange yellow disk it reported as an "unidentified object" over London airport actually was the planet Venus playing tricks.

The ministry said the planet Venus, a harbinger of spring, cast a reflection that intermingled with the light from a civilian plane's nose cone.

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SIGHTING of the object over the airport Feb. 26 set off a chain reaction that whipped through the airport tower, to the RAF fighter command headquarters and then to the air ministry.

"The unidentified object has now been identified," a ministry spokesman said.

Airport officials said the light was seen by four "reliable" witnesses including a man in the control tower who looked at it through binoculars.

SEE DOMESTIC BOOK FOR DETAILS

JUN 12 1959

Mystery Lights Over the Pacific

SAN FRANCISCO, July 11 (UPI).—A Pan American Airways pilot reported a group of extremely bright lights approached his airliner at high speed over the Pacific early today and suddenly veered away.

Four other trans-Pacific airliner pilots also reported the unidentified objects.

A Pan American spokesman here said the first report came from Capt. George Wilson, commander of a DC-7C Clipper en route from San Francisco to Honolulu, at 6:20 a.m. PDT (9:20 a.m. N.Y. time).

"They were extremely bright lights, surrounded by small lights," Wilson said. "They approached us at approximately 21,000 feet altitude. They were closing in rapidly. The objects then headed south. After about 10 seconds all the lights disappeared."

Shortly after that report, two other Pan American pilots radioed they had seen the same thing.

They are Capt. Noble Sprunger, bound from Los Angeles to Honolulu, who reported seeing the objects at 6 a.m., south of Wilson's position, and Capt. E. G. Kelley, who had left San Francisco for Honolulu a half hour ahead of Wilson.

Pilots of two other trans-Pacific planes reported seeing the objects.

NY World-Telegram & Sun, 7/10/59

Blowing Bubbles Baffle Airmen

United Press International.

GATWICK, England, July 10.—Pilots landing here reported that unidentified white objects had hovered at their plane's wingtips as they came in.

They turned out to be bubbles formed when high winds whipped up a detergent foam from a nearby drainage ditch.

STARS & STRIPES

Mystery Object Reportedly Seen Over Darmstadt

April 10, 1959

WIESBADEN, Germany (S&S) [illegible] officials here are investigating "an alleged flying object" that reportedly was seen by several persons from their [illegible] in the American [illegible] area in [illegible] Darmstadt.

The sighting was reported at [illegible] pm and was said to have lasted 20 minutes.

[illegible] Stars and Stripes, said he saw a bright light in the sky that [illegible] northwest [illegible] at a height of from [illegible] miles and was [illegible]

Others who saw the strange object were [illegible] and Mrs. [illegible]

[illegible] the light [illegible] and sideways [illegible]

[illegible]

Sunday Star-Ledger - July 12, 1959

Pilot sees 'saucer;' now he's believer

HONOLULU (UPI)—A Pan-American Airways pilot, who spotted a mysterious bright object traveling in the skies at "inconceivable speed" yesterday, said it had made "a believer" out of him.

Capt. George Wilson, 43, of Seattle, Wash., a 19-year flying veteran, said he had never before believed such flying foreign objects existed.

"I'm a believer now," he added.

Wilson was one of five trans-Pacific airliner pilots who reported sighting the lights.

ALL SHOOK UP

Visibly shaken by the experience, Wilson reported to Air Force officers that he was flying a DC-7C from San Francisco to Honolulu when he saw "one intensely bright white light followed by four smaller lights.

At the time he was about 1,000 miles east of Honolulu in clear skies.

"We were cruising at 20,000 feet with low clouds decked below us when the object first appeared about 1,000 feet above us and to our left," he said.

"My co-pilot, Richard Lorenzen of Los Altos, Calif., and Flight Engineer Robert Scott, stared open-mouthed as the light came toward us at an extremely high rate of speed. For at least 10 seconds it maintained its course which was on an opposite heading to us and had it been another aircraft it would have passed well to our left.

SHARP RIGHT TURN

"Suddenly the object made a sharp right turn at a speed inconceivable of any vehicle we know of and the light suddenly disappeared. The smaller lights were evenly spaced and were either part of the mysterious object or this was an example of darn good formation flying."

Four other pilots also reported spotting the mysterious bright lights. They included Capt. Lloyd Moffatt of Canadian Pacific Airways, First Officer Erwin Zedwick of Slick Airways, and two other Pan-American flyers, Capt. Noble Sprunger and Capt. E. G. Kelley.

'4 OF US SAW IT'

Moffatt, who has been flying since 1941, said:

"You can take it from me, they were there. I never saw anything like it in my life. And there are four of us who saw the same thing at the same time."

An Air Force spokesman said all the pilots were interrogated and filled out questionnaires on the sightings. They will be classified under the heading of "unexplainable natural phenomena," he said.

SEE DOMESTIC BOOK FOR DETAILS

New York Mirror, Sunday 7-12-59

5 Pilots See 'Flying Lights' Over Pacific

SAN FRANCISCO, July 11 (UPI)—Five trans Pacific pilots, reported seeing a group of "extremely bright lights" flying at high speed over the ocean early today.

A Pan American spokesman here said the first report of the unidentified flying object came from Capt. George Wilson, commander of a DC-7C clipper en route from San Francisco to Honolulu.

"They were extremely bright lights, surrounded by small lights," Wilson said. "They approached us at approximately 21,000 feet altitude.

"THEY WERE CLOSING in rapidly. The objects then headed south. After about 10 seconds all of the lights disappeared, he said. He said the phenomena occurred at 6:02 a.m. PDT.

He was about 840 miles from Honolulu at the time.

Shortly after his report, two other Pan American pilots radioed that they had seen the same thing.

Capt. Noble Sprunger, bound from Los Angeles to Honolulu, reported seeing the objects at 6 a. m., a little farther to the south from Wilson's position.

The other Pan American pilot who sighted the object was Capt. E. G. Kelley, who departed San Francisco for Honolulu a half hour ahead of Wilson.

The Pan Am spokesman here said dispatchers heard pilots of a Canadian Pacific Airlines plane and a Slick airways cargo plane also report seeing the objects.

La Prensa (N.Y.), July 9, 1959

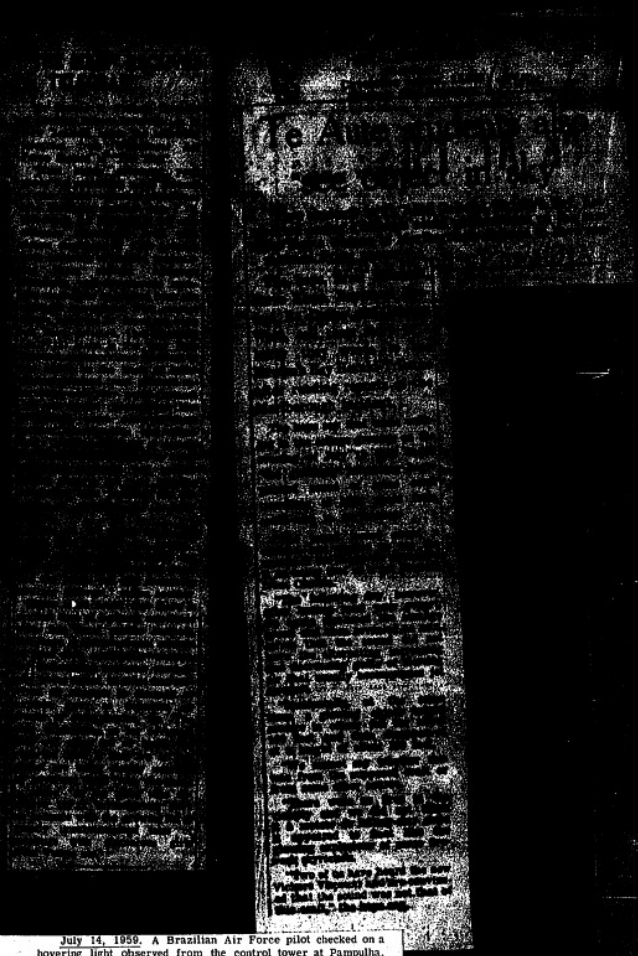
Platillo volador en Cuba

LA HABANA, julio 8. (PUI) Despachos procedentes de Matanzas informan que un grupo de boy scouts observó un extraño artefacto con forma de trompo, cuya superficie brillaba al recibir la luz del sol. El aparato se elevó a gran velocidad y luego descendió sobre la ancha bahía de Matanzas. Se cree que era un disco ovulador.

LA PRENSA (New York), July 9, 1959

Flying Saucer In Cuba

HAVANA, July 8 (UPI.)--Dispatches from Matanzas declare that a group of boy scouts observed a strange artefact shaped like a top, whose surface shone brilliantly in the light of the sun. The machine rose at great speed and then descended over the wide bay of Matanzas. It was thought that it was a flying disc.



July 14, 1959. A Brazilian Air Force pilot checked on a hovering light observed from the control tower at Pampulha, Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais State at the request of the tower operator. After landing, the pilot reported that the unidentified light had followed him for about an hour while he was enroute from Pico do Couto. The control tower operator then fired some flares in the direction of the UFO, and it changed color from white to amber to intense green. Then it turned white again, and darted upwards, disappearing in the darkness. [22]

AUSTRALIAN PRESS CUTTINGS

From

"COURIER MAIL"

Brisbane, Qld.

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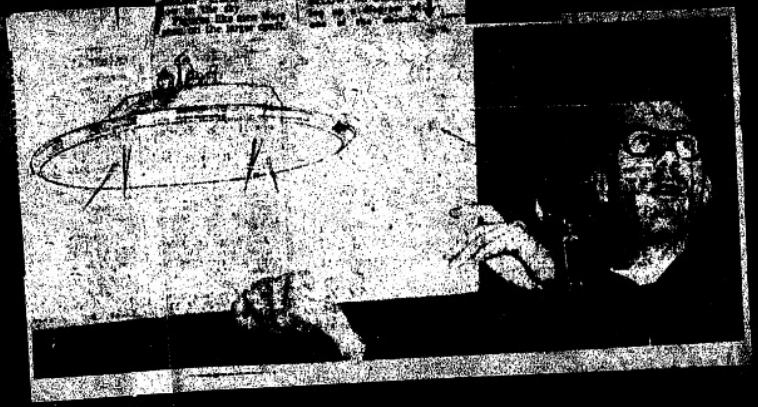
THAT "strange flying object" And 4 more men say they saw it

FOUR more men have reported having seen a "strange flying object" over north-west Queensland on July 8.

They are Victorians who saw the "object" when camped near a tree-lined creek, 40 miles east of Cloncurry.

"SUN" Melbourne, Vic

HE SAW MYSTERY CRAFT IN SKY



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Flying Objects Seen In The Sky About Mid-July

Sydney Telegraph, July 15, 1954

Five transpacific airliner pilots all flying separate planes reported sighting a group of bright lights flying [illegible] over the ocean yesterday.

A Pan-American spokesman said the first report came from Captain Jack Gordon Wilson, commander of a DC-6B flying from San Francisco to Honolulu. Captain Wilson said: "They were extremely bright lights, surrounded by small lights. They approached us at approximately 10,000 altitude and were closing at rapidly which the objects dimmed down. After about 10 seconds the lights disappeared."

He was 250 miles from Honolulu at the time.

Soon after his report, two other Pan-American pilots radioed that they had seen similar lights.

Captain Noble Spruyer, based from Los Angeles to Honolulu, reported seeing the lights a little further south of Captain Wilson's position.

The other Pan-American pilot who sighted lights was Captain E. G. Kelley, who left San Francisco for Honolulu half an hour ahead of Captain Wilson.

The Pan-American spokesman said that pilots of a Canadian-Pacific Airlines airliner and a cargo plane also reported seeing the lights. All the planes were bound for Honolulu.

In Los Angeles, the director of the Amalgamated Flying Saucers' Club of America, Gabriel Green, said the lights were merely one of thousands of confirmations of flying saucers.

He said: "These confirmations have been occurring for the past 13 years and are proof that flying saucers are real. It is proof that space people are coming here to assist us in our problems."—A.A.P.

(This report was published in a Perth newspaper on Monday, July

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NEWSPAPER

Below is reproduced a message which appeared in the Sydney "Sun" of July 21, 1959:

Port Moresby, July 21.

Many people in the Fergusson part of Samarai are convinced that flying saucers are flying over the area. A retired Australian planter on several occasions in the past month, remarked that he had seen strange objects in the sky at night. "Many are convinced they are flying saucers," he said.

The Port Moresby newspaper, "South Pacific Post," said today that a missionary in the district claimed to have seen a weird aircraft. It had portholes in the side and people looked through them as it travelled overhead at a snail's pace. The newspaper said that the missionary reported seeing the craft hover almost motionless overhead.

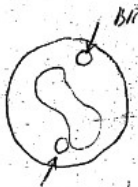
Territory Director of Health affairs, Mr. A. G. Roberts, said today that he recently received a report from an officer at Samarai who said he had seen a weird light overhead. The light was travelling west, high in the sky. "It was blue in colour when first sighted, alternating at long intervals to a reddish glow and ending with a green flash," the officer reported.

AT MILDURA, TOO

Four silent, glowing objects, moving in single file across the sky, were seen by dozens of people in the Mildura area last night. Mrs L. MacArthur, of West Merbein, said the objects showed lights bigger than stars and travelled easterly. They moved faster than an aircraft and were visible for several seconds. Mr John Clark, of Mildura, gave a similar description of the lights. A audience of patrons at the Mildura drive-in theatre said they saw the objects. —A.A.P. Reuter.

The following report was made to Captain William B. Nash of Pan American Airways, by copilot (First Officer) Art Naple on July 30, 1950., during a layover in Caracas, Venezuela.

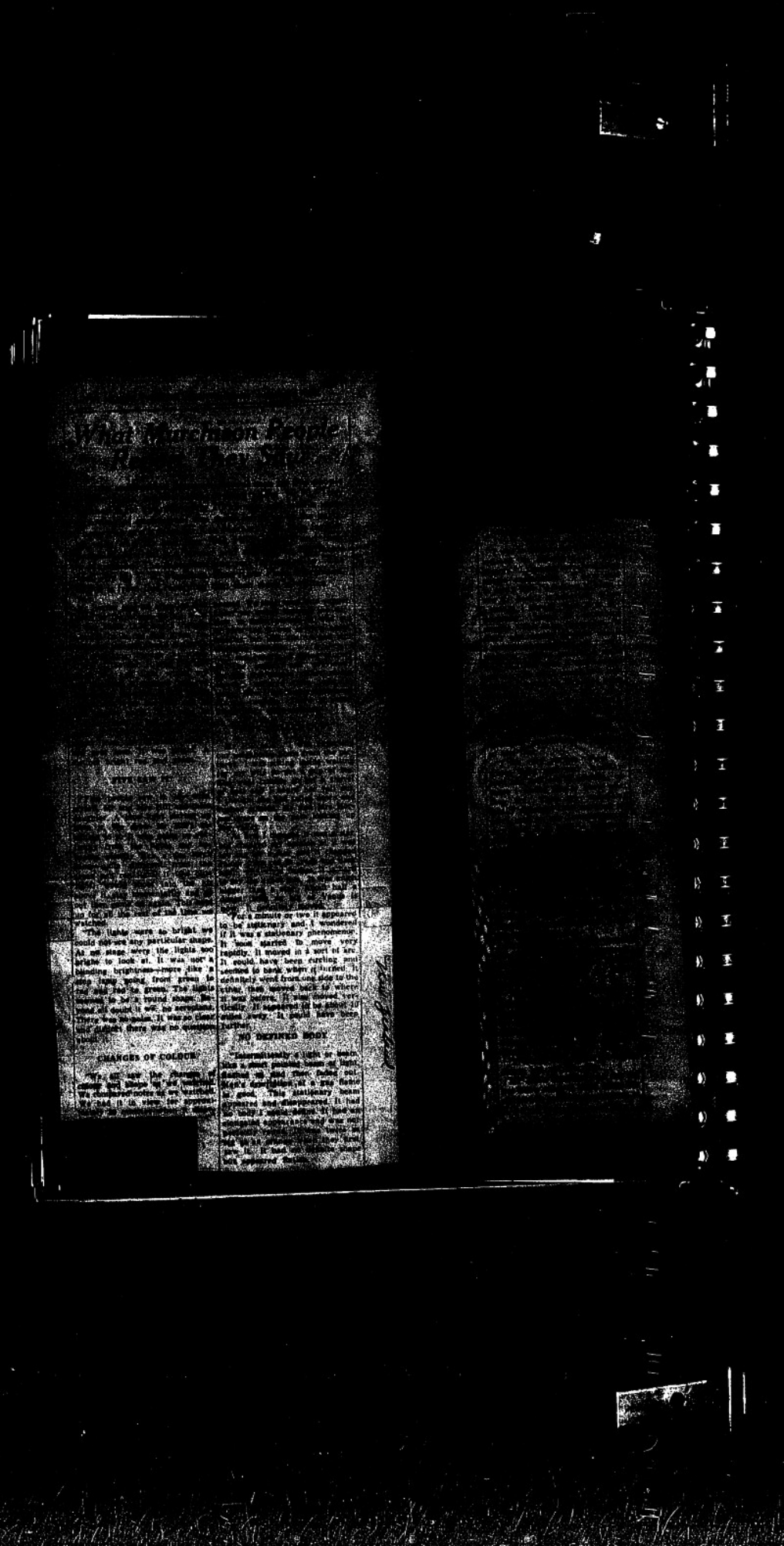
First Officer Art Naple, while flying Pan American Flight 808 North-Bound, over Pelotas, Brazil, at 2100 Greenwich Civil Time (Daylight in Brazil), was startled by the odd appearance of the Moon. He saw two lights apparently on its surface. (as copied from his sketch below) One was extremely bright. He described it as Mirror-like, or like a reflector. The moon in general was grayish white, as it appears in the daylight. The other light on the Moon was the same size as the brightest, but not nearly as bright as the one which first attracted his attention. He called the other crew members and they two were unable to suggest any explanation for the lights. They were the proportion sketched below, and thye did not change position in one hour of observation. Clouds finally obscured the Moon. The aircraft was a DC7, flying at 18,000 feet, on Sept. 14, 1950.



I'll get a letter off yet!

Best Regards -

Bill



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News of the Maritimes

'Glowing Red' Object Seen In Skies East of Goose Bay

By ALVIN SAVAGE
Special Dispatch to The Herald

HALIFAX—The rocket sighting was brought close to the Maritimes, and particularly to Nova Scotia, during the past week.

One segment was mysterious, yet to be explained by the scientists or the military involved in reporting it.

The other could have spelled tragedy.

The mystery:

"Were a u f o Maritimers?" screamed a Nova Scotia press headline.

The sources were the Air Defense Command at St. Hubert, Que., and from two Houston men, Dr. Donald Menzel and William Hen-

Park in Albert County when they saw "a pear-shaped object emitting a 30-foot tail of flame and spark, which seemed to glide through the air with no noise at all."

The Houston men said the object disappeared "behind Goose Land Mountain."

The Air Defense report came from the Royal Canadian Air Force, which said, "an object with glowing red and with a long flame tail" was sighted 150 miles east of Goose Bay, 1954 . . . The report said the object was sighted for [illegible] seconds at a height of 30,000 feet.

The Houston, N. S., report said, Menzel and Hynek [illegible]

ORAL WORLD-TELEGRAM AND SUN, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1959

Air Crew Reports Mysterious Glow

PARIS, Sept. 23.—Crew members of a Pan American flight from New York to Paris said today they sighted last night a mysterious luminous object that appeared to be a high altitude rocket burning itself out above the atmosphere.

The crew told reporters that they saw an object at unusually high altitude speeding from south to north at right angles to a vertical shaft of light traversing it. They said the sighting took place at 11 p.m. over the east coast of Labrador.

The crew said they did not want to identify themselves for fear they might be criticized for "publicity seeking." But a press release from the Pan American offices in Paris said they were aboard flight 114 from New York under command of Capt. Howard Cone.

They said their impression was that the object might have been the last stage of a rocket that had left the atmosphere and that its movement might be owing to the rotation of the earth.

H-T 9/24/59

Plane Crew Sees 'Rocket Burning Out'

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The Pan American officer said they were aboard flight 114 from New York under command of Capt. Howard Cone.

Dublin Evening Herald; Sept. 23, 1959

'SPACE SHIP' SPOTTED BY JET PILOT

Claims he saw people aboard

FALSE REPORT

THE pilot of a Pan American jet airliner, flying almost four miles high between New York and Paris this morning, reported that he had sighted what he believed was a space ship with people on board.

In a brief message to Shannon from the Clipper the pilot, Capt. J. Cone, said it was visible for 40 seconds only and that the object had vertical tail fins. It was travelling very fast in a south-westerly direction between the stars Rinath and Castor.

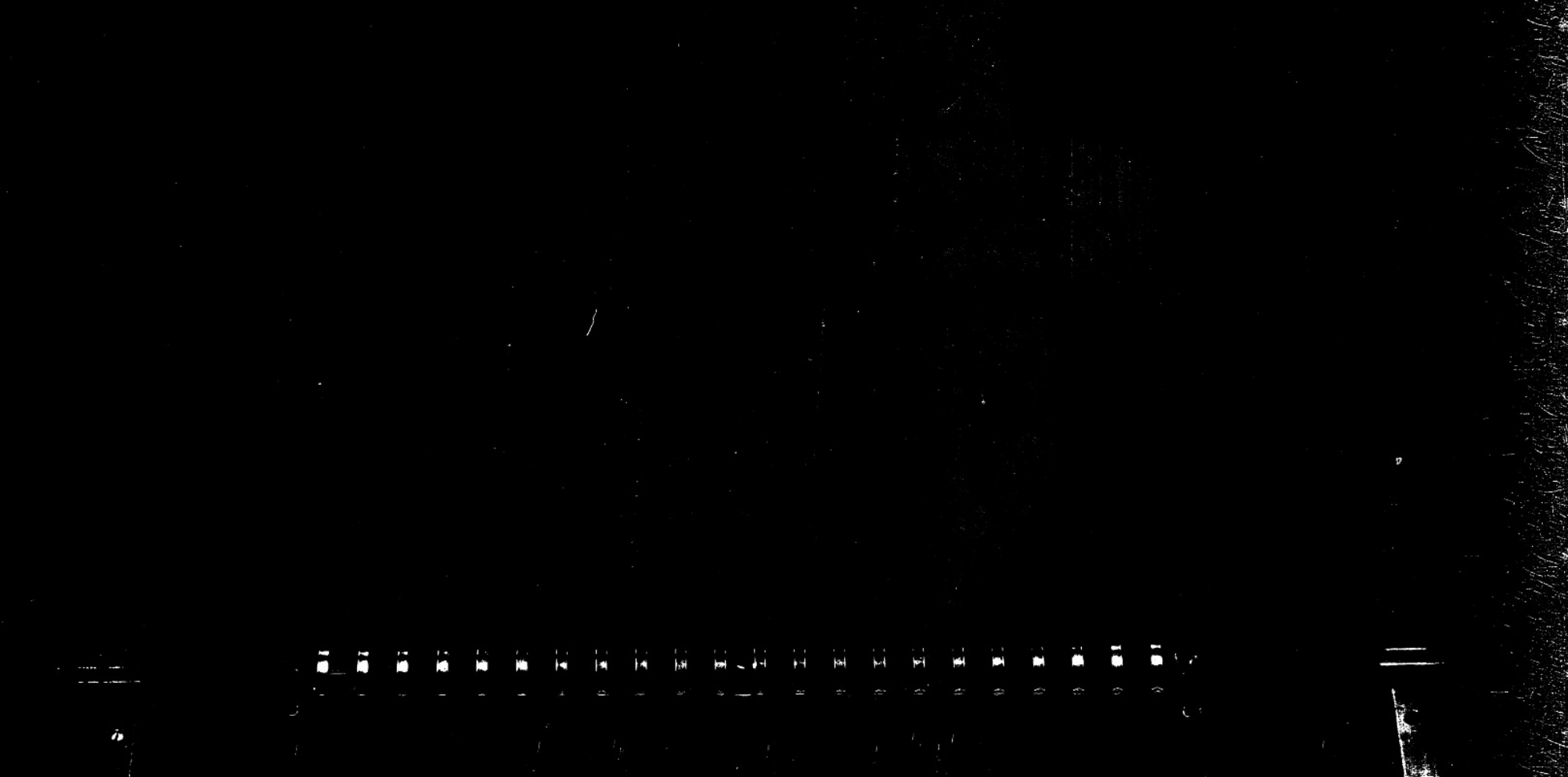
The object was sighted close to the D.E.W. line "Dewlin," the distant early warning radar screen which protects the entire north-west coast of America and Canada from attack.

There were 111 people, including 12 crew members, on board the 71 [illegible] plane.

Other South American Countries.

The history of UFO reports in the other South American countries is very similar to that of Argentina and Brazil.

In Valparaiso, Chile, October 20, 1950, Jose Frahi (director of a local Astronomical Association), C. Ventura (civil aviator), and others "about 9:15 p.m. sighted a luminous orange converse disc performing evolutions in the sky. [20]



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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1959.

Big Crater in Hebrides Indicates a Meteorite

LONDON, Dec. 1 (AP)—A huge meteorite is believed to have struck the Outer Hebrides in the last few days.

A crater the size of a football field was spotted yesterday by a mailman, Duncan MacDonald, on the island of Lewis, one of the 500 islands of the Hebrides off the west coast of Scotland. A stream he usually crossed was almost bursting its banks. A small lake had disappeared.

"I could smell burning—it seemed to me there had been an explosion," Mr. MacDonald said.

The crater was found on a trackless moor about a mile from the nearest road and twenty-six miles from Stornoway. At first it was thought that a rocket from the near-by South Uist firing base might have gone off course, but neither the Defense Ministry nor the Air Ministry had records of any runaway rockets.

At the Royal Observatory in Edinburgh, Prof. H. A. Brück said it appeared that a large meteorite had struck Lewis.

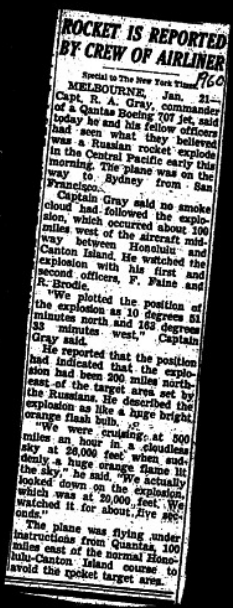
1960

Flaming Object Seen

1960

Associated Press.

TOKYO, Feb. 23.—A flaming object traveling at great speed was reported to have plunged into the Pacific Ocean south of Japan last night. The reports, received from a score of eyewitnesses including three airline pilots, touched off a sea and air search of the waters 300 miles south of Shikoku Island.



ROCKET IS REPORTED BY CREW OF AIRLINER

Special to The New York Times

1960

MELBOURNE, Jan. 21—Capt. R. A. Gray, commander of a Qantas Boeing 707 jet, said today he and his fellow officers had seen what they believed was a Russian rocket explode in the Central Pacific early this morning. The plane was on the way to Sydney from San Francisco.

Captain Gray said no smoke cloud had followed the explosion, which occurred about 100 miles west of the aircraft mid-way between Honolulu and Canton Island. He watched the explosion with his first and second officers, F. Paine and R. Brodie.

"We plotted the position of the explosion as 10 degrees 51 minutes north and 163 degrees 33 minutes west," Captain Gray said.

He reported that the position had indicated that the explosion had been 200 miles northeast of the target area set by the Russians. He described the explosion as like a huge bright orange flash bulb.

"We were cruising at 500 miles an hour in a cloudless sky at 26,000 feet when suddenly a huge orange flame lit the sky," he said. "We actually looked down on the explosion, which was at 20,000 feet. We watched it for about five seconds."

The plane was flying under instructions from Quantas, 100 miles east of the normal Honolulu-Canton Island course to avoid the rocket target area.

May 18, 1960--Wellington, N.Z. Cigar-shaped UFO with "portholes." [XII]

May 22, 1960--Majorca Isle, Mediterranean Sea. Palma Observatory reported morning observation of a white triangular UFO, about one-fourth the size of the moon, spinning on its axis. [VI]

May 24, 1960--Ocumare del Tuy, Venezuela. Several doctors, a topographer and policemen saw three UFOs, in-line formation, which landed in a heavily wooded area on a hilltop; diamond-shaped scorched marking found at landing site. [VIII]

1960

APRIL 1960

April 4, 12:40 p.m., Foxton, N.Z.- Ball shaped UFO, "White with gold in middle," as described by witness, formerly with N.Z. Air Force. (Source: Southland Daily News, Invercargill, 4/5)

April 5, 5:10 a.m., Invercargill, N.Z.- Deafening roar attracted witnesses' attention to circular UFO with flashing lights. Same thing 2 miles away by other witnesses. Authorities stated no aircraft off the ground at that time. (Source: Southland Daily News, Invercargill, N.Z. 4/5)

April 7, 7:15 p.m., Mt. Roskill, N.Z.- Ball, changing color red to white to red; "looked just like a tennis ball", denied by Weather Bureau as balloon; appeared intelligently controlled in maneuvers. (Source: Auckland, N.Z. Daily Star, 4/8)

April 8, 3:45 a.m., Runanga and Greymouth N.Z.- Shining silver cigar shaped UFO nine hours earlier; then at 3:45 came unexplained aerial explosion. (Source: Greymouth Evening Star, 4/9)

April 8, 6:45 p.m., Cobden, N.Z., Runanga, N.Z.- Another cigar shaped UFO, silent and unlighted, clearly visible. (Source: Greymouth Evening Star, 4/9)

April 9, 9:15 a.m., Petone, N.Z.- Silver oval UFO hovered over area near Petone; Kelburn Weather Observatory said "object was not a weather balloon." (Source: Wellington Evening Post, 4/9)

April 9, 8:30 p.m., Seattle, Wash.- Special report to APRA- Multicolored light appeared to hover over north end of Seattle for approximately 30 minutes. Several witnesses reported identical details to APRA.

April 20, 3:05 a.m., Napier, N.Z.- Solid red ball; no sound, red streaks and blue and green tail. (Source: Hawke's Bay Herald Tribune 4/20)

MAY 1960

May 4, 1:25 a.m., Enfield, N.Z.- Light the size of the sun; did not fade, disappeared all at once. (Source: Oamaru Mail, 5/5)

May 19, 7:30 p.m., Paraparaumu, N.Z. - UFO described as having "portholes and a tail light" hovered, then appeared to go in a circle, then disappeared. (Source: Wellington Evening Post, 5/20)

May 23, 8:25 p.m., Auckland, N.Z.- "Very red, sort of purplish" UFO with long red tail, moved E to W. (Source: New Zealand Herald 5/25)

May 23, 8:45 p.m., Christchurch, N.Z.- "Green comet-like thing." Round and came from East. (Source: New Zealand Herald, 5/25)

May 24, 7:40 a.m., Dunedin, N.Z.- "Mysterious blue flashes, red light." (Source: Dunedin Evening Star 5/28)

May 24, 6:37 p.m., Te Aroha, N.Z.- Strange red light, visible for about 4 minutes. (Source: Te Aroha News, 5/27)

May 24, 7:00 p.m., Auckland, N.Z.- Red UFO (light) going in circular motion. (Source: New Zealand Herald, 5/25)

May 24, 7:20 p.m., Auckland, N.Z.- Steady white light, traveling high and fast. (Source: New Zealand Herald, 5/25)

May 28, 7:40 a.m., Dunedin,N.Z.Red UFO,(Source:Dunedin Evening Star,5/28)

JUNE 1960

June 11,4:45 a.m., Whangarei,N.Z.-Red ball travelling horizontally W to E.Like a tennis ball with a tail. (Source: Northern Advocate 6/11)

June 11, 4:45 a.m., Napier, N.Z.- Two Napier milkmen sighted star like UFO streaking over area, W to E.(Source: Napier Daily Telegraph,6/11)

June 11, 4:50 a.m., Auckland,N.Z.- Farmer and other milkmen reported bright UFO going W to E, red and orange tail on it.(Source:Auckland 8 o'clock Sports,6/11)

June 12,3:20 a.m., Napier,N.Z.- Police reported sighting brilliant sky object from the West,visible for some 30 seconds.Color was bluish green and "very bright and beautiful".(Source:Napier Daily Telegraph,6/13)

June 15,5:50 p.m., Blenheim,N.Z.-Glowing white pole-like UFO moving straight up into sky,bent over into horizontal plane.No aircraft in vicinity as reported by Air Traffic Control at Woodburne."Like an illuminated wireless pole."(Source: Marlborough Express 6/16)

June 17,11:20 a.m., Browns Bay,N.Z.-Red parachute shaped UFO seen through binoculars,reported hanging quite low in sky."At first it appeared to be of plastic material, then it looked metallic,possibly aluminum."(Source:New Zealand Herald of 6/18)

June 19,9:20 a.m., Timaru,N.Z.- Bright white object travelling South,Round ball of light about size of 3 airplanes,followed by vapor trail.(Source:Timaru

June 22, 1:30 p.m., Havelock North,N.Z. and Hawkes Bay,N.Z.- White UFO,with vapor trail,no sound. (Source: Daily Telegraph,6/24)

June 23, 6:15 a.m., Greenmeadows,N.Z.- Big yellow green revolving disc,bigger than moon,about the same size as low flying airplane. Low clouds, yet UFO was clearly visible,therefore throught to have been well below clodd bank.(Source: Daily Telegraph, 6/24)

JULY 1960

July 2, 3:18 p.m., San Juan,Puerto Rico- White & circular UFO.(Source, FATE mag-zine, November 1960,page 114)

July 18,night,Rome,Montova,Genoa,Verona,Trento,Blozano,Italy- White sphere,red light and green light all three sighted over all the listed cities by many witnesses.(Source: Reuters Press Service, 7/18)

July 2, 1960, near Maiquetia, a Venezuelan Airlines Super-Constellation was arriving from Spain about 3:00 a.m. Flying at 10,000 feet about 20 degrees N, 68 degrees W (near Puerto Rico), the pilot and crew noticed a bright luminous object angling toward the plane at about their altitude. After paralleling the plane for several minutes, the object suddenly shot away at terrific speed. The pilot reported the sighting to the press upon landing. [30]

A Professor of Engineering, Central University, reported a UFO September 15, 1960. Prof. German Alvarez, in Carrizales, Miranda State, watched a luminous object sweep across the sky for about three minutes, after 7:30 p.m. The UFO accelerated in a curved course. Before disappearing behind mountains, it appeared as two objects. [31]

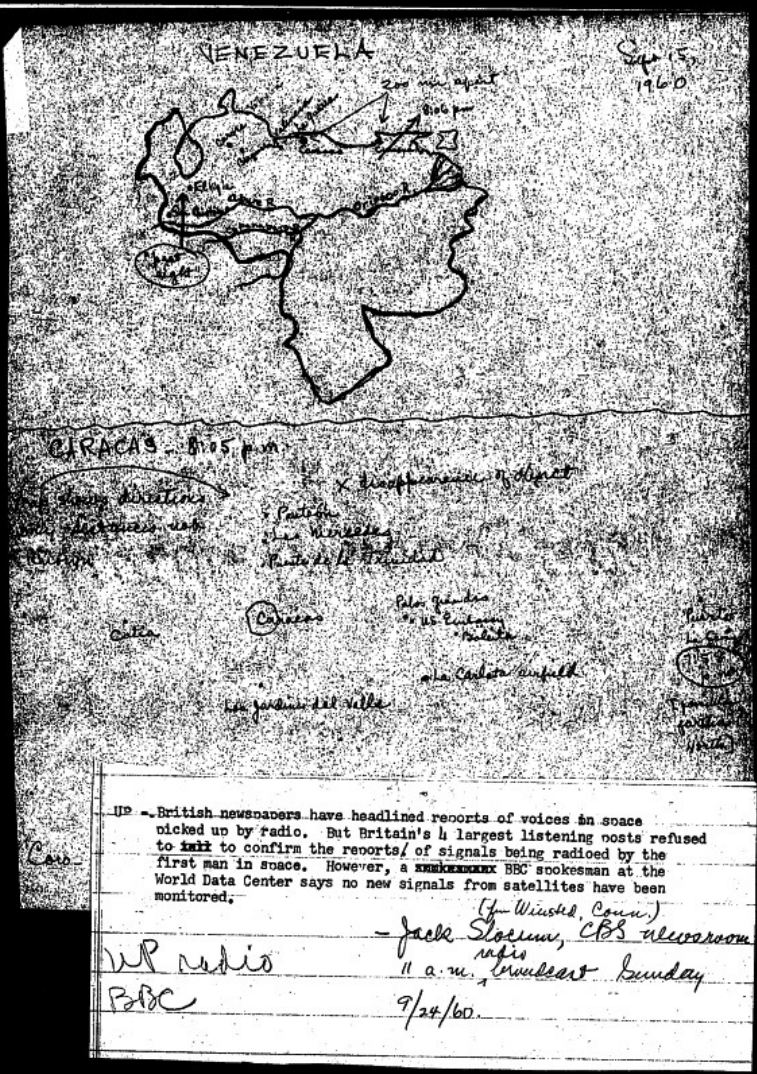
Dr. Ladonko.

Since the newspaper reports were rather contradictory, as you will probably agree with me, I dedicated this morning to question my neighbours who had seen the UFO. I questioned them one by one, starting with children and ending with the adults. All the descriptions were identical and explained perfectly the causes of the contradictions and confusion in the newspapers. The object was described as being of the size of the full moon and blindingly brilliant, WITHOUT ANY TAIL. It was moving from South to North slowly and, as it approached the mountains to the North of Caracas, the searchlights of La Carleta converged upon it, giving it the appearance of a comet with a tail. When it reached the mountains it disappeared suddenly. They indicated the exact place where it disappeared, which is rather to the Northwest from Boleita. Since the newspapers stated that as seen from Caracas it disappeared to the Northeast, I triangulated its position on a map, guiding myself by the geographic reference points indicated by my neighbours. When it disappeared, the UFO was approximately 10 kilometers from Boleita. Taking the mean apparent diameter of the moon as 31' 5", I calculated trigonometrically that at this distance, the diameter of the UFO must have been approximately 90 meters (300 feet).

When I was writing the last paragraph, another neighbour came to me and told me that she had seen the UFOs twice yesterday, first about 10 a.m. and then between 2 and 3 p.m., crossing the sky both times over the mountains to the North. Both times it appeared in the East and moved westward over the northern horizon, reaching a maximum hight of about 10 - 15°, and disappearing to the Northwest. It was little, as a little plane, but without wings, moved more slowly that a plane and was brilliant. She told me that as she saw it she thought immediately that "this thing is not from Venezuela".

All my neighbours are warned to call me as soon as the next UFO appears and I am keeping at hand a loaded 35 mm. camera. I have your book "F. S. from Outer Space". Its Appendix III is the USAF Technical Information Sheet. Please let me know if you want me to use it to question the witnesses in the future, reporting you their answers on all its questions. As soon as the next UFO appears, I shall write you again.

Sincerely yours



UP - British newspapers have headlined reports of voices in space picked up by radio. But Britain's 4 largest listening posts refused to ~~xxit~~ to confirm the reports of signals being radioed by the first man in space. However, a ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ BBC spokesman at the World Data Center says no new signals from satellites have been monitored.

(Jr. Winsted, Conn.)
- Jack Sloane, CBS newsroom

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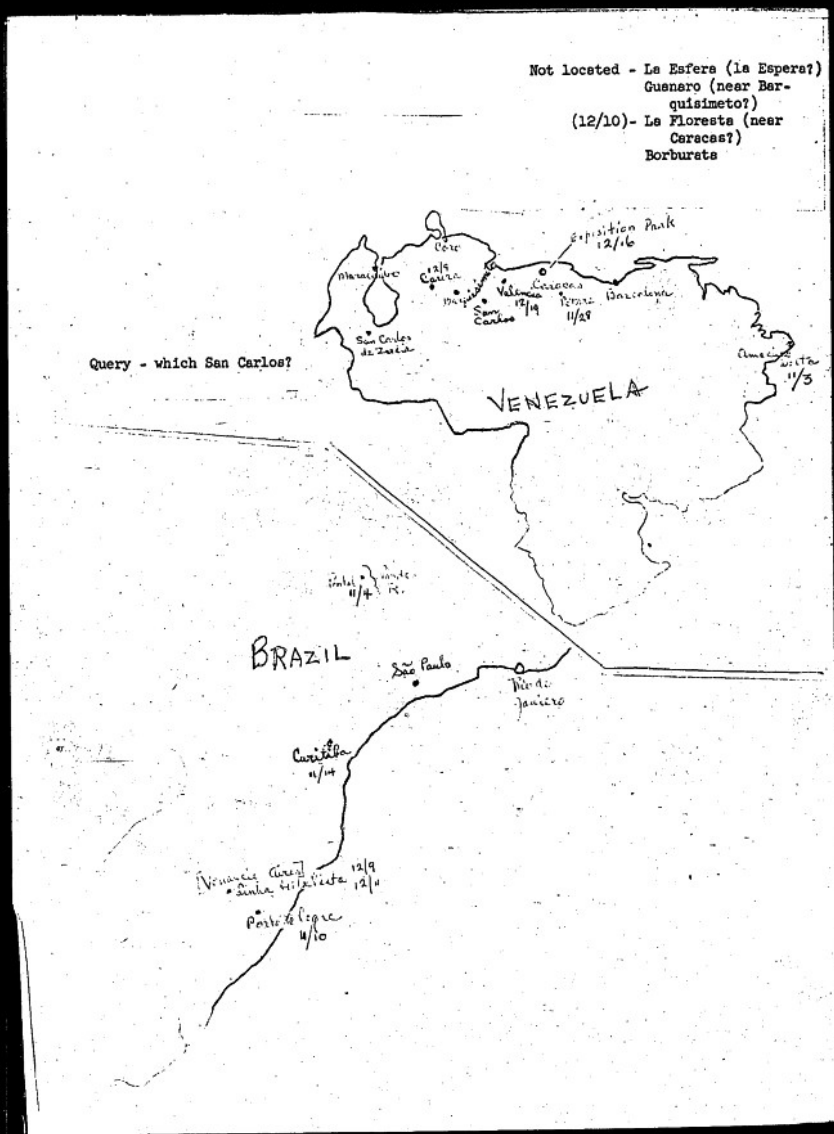
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1961

C. OCEAN & ANTARCTIA

UFOs have been sighted at sea, in the islands of the major oceans, and in Antarctica. Reports from ships' officers are of unusual interest because they are experienced sky observers, familiar with the stars and planets and other astronomical and atmospheric phenomena.

A well-qualified scientific observer aboard an ice-breaker in Admiralty Bay, Antartica, sighted a luminous object which divided into two parts while flying on a level course below an overcast. This phenomenon was observed by Rubens J. Villela, Brazilian meteorologist, March 16, 1961. [Section VI.]

June 19, 1961--Exeter, England. A "flying object" was reported to have hovered for more than an hour above an airport. Officials said: "We do not know what it is. It was seen on the radar screen and we have had it under observation for some time. We think it is pretty big. It appears to be shining brightly and is about 50,000 feet up." [VIII]

Antarctic Sighting

March 16, 1961; Antarctica. A Brazilian Meteorologist, recently employed at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center near Washington, D. C., observed a strange phenomenon while aboard an ice-breaker in Admiralty Bay, Antarctica on a scientific expedition. He noted the observation in his diary, and later filled out a NICAP report form. Though in some respects the phenomenon resembles a meteor, in other respects it does not. At any rate, it is worth recording as an unexplained aerial phenomenon, possibly related to UFO activity.

Rubens J. Villela, who also has experience as a glider pilot and Moonwatch observer, was on the deck of the U.S.S. Glacier about 6:15 p.m. The temperature was about 33 degrees, dew point 28, wind calm, sky overcast, visibility about 5 miles. Weak, yellowish sunset light was visible to the NW. About 50 degrees above the horizon he noticed a strange tear-shaped "luminous body" crossing the sky from NW to SE. It was "multi-colored, leaving long trail as tracer bullet; abruptly divided in two (in tandem) as if 'exploding', shone more brightly in bluish-white and red, and threw lateral rays radiating backwards at an angle. Appearance neither 'solid' nor purely 'light'; best described as 'corporified light', forms geometrical and not diffuse." The object was roughly tear-shaped before and after splitting.

The object travelled on a level course, completely disappearing "very suddenly" after about 10 seconds. It moved "rather slowly" leaving a long trail.

"I believe it was much too slow for a meteor," Mr. Villela stated, "also its appearance was 'out of this world.' I can think of nothing on earth which would reproduce the phenomenon."

July 24, 1961. At night in the vicinity of Ilha Grande, Cmdr. Jose Guilherme Saez, pilot of a VASP Airlines "Scandia" flying at 7,000 feet, saw a luminous object which he first believed was a meteor. "I radioed the Santa Cruz Air Force Base and Sao Paulo airport," Cmdr. Saez stated. "Suddenly the object changed direction, from the left to our right. Then I saw it quite near our Scandia." The object remained visible several minutes. During this time, Cmdr. Saez said, "The UFO did not describe curves, but made angular turns. It moved up and down, back and forth, in all directions." [23] (cf., sighting by Capt. Hull, Capital Airlines, November 14, 1956, Section I).

At times, Brazil has been one of the least secretive governments in regard to release of UFO information. High officials have often openly admitted their serious concern with UFOs.

As in the case of several countries, there is evidence that the Embassies in Washington, either yielding to the wishes of the U.S. Government or for political reasons of their own, sometimes debunk the subject in spite of serious official concern of their governments at home. In 1959, Maj. Gen. Antonio Barcellos, Air Attaché of the Brazilian Embassy, wrote a NICAP member: "The Brazilian Government does not accredit or acknowledge any reports of unidentified flying objects... it considers the question of UFO to be in the same category as that of Santa Claus. Therefore, if anyone in Brazil has ever cited what they consider to be a UFO, they would probably not report to any official agency, but if they did try to make such a report, they would find that it would not be accepted." [24]

Palma Observatory on the Spanish Island of Majorca (or Mallorca), in the Balearic Islands (off the east coast of Spain in the Mediterranean Sea) sighted a UFO at 9:33 a.m., May 22, 1960. The report, cabled to NASA in Washington, described a white triangular object about 1/4 the size of the moon spinning on its own axis as it flew on a steady course. NICAP efforts to obtain more information from the Observatory went unanswered.

Luces Ven En B. Aires

1961

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 27 (UPI)—Asombrados ciudadanos vieron anoche una llamarada de luz azul amarillenta que cruzó a gran altura por el cielo, de Oeste a Este. De inmediato, la luz se dividió en dos, dejando una estela de humo o vapor de varios kilómetros de largo. El cielo estaba despejado y ninguna nubosidad precedió el raro fenómeno.

La calidad de los testigos, que describieron sobre la posibilidad de que cohetes extraviados de alguna base militar hubieran entrado de nuevo en la atmósfera, no deja lugar a dudas de que el fenómeno fue auténtico. Quienes observaron el ocaso del sol, a las siete de la noche. Y tampoco había aviones sobrevolando con humo en el cielo a la hora del fenómeno. Tal espuiera en la realidad.

NORTH PACIFIC

Second Officer William C. Ash of the American S.S. *Iberville*, Capt. M. O. Vinson, Master, reported the following:

"At 1700 G.M.T. on September 21, 1961, while in lat. 31°30' N., long. 175°30' E., a few minutes before morning twilight, a white opaque mass about twice the size of a full moon appeared in the northwest at an elevation of 40° (he means continued to climb toward the zenith and at about an elevation of 60° the mass opened gradually to appear as a huge halo with a satellite in the center having very nearly the brightness of a first magnitude star. By the time it reached the zenith it had more than doubled in size reaching its maximum at the zenith and then diminishing as it proceeded to the southeast. As it diminished it continued to decrease in size but did not appear to shrink into a corona as it had appeared but rather faded out completely at an elevation of approximately 45° to 50 minutes." entire mass was in view for approximately 45 to 50 minutes."

Weather partly cloudy, wind NW force 2, slight sea and small NW swell, temperatures: dry 74° F., wet 67° F., sea 78° F.

(N.M. 43/61.)

For about 10 minutes at 7:00 a.m. (Honolulu time), September 21, 1961, two airliners and a U.S. ship at sea observed a UFO simultaneously. The object passed overhead, apparently at extremely high altitude, angling southeasterly above the North Pacific. (See map.)

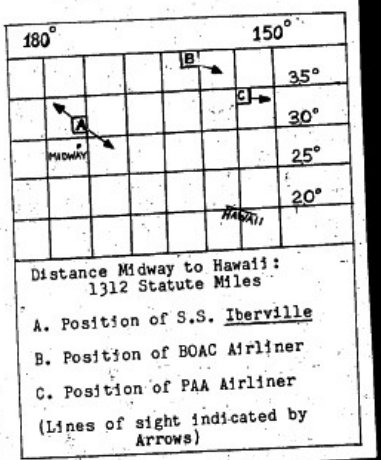
Reports from the Federal Aviation Agency, and the U.S. Navy Oceanographic Office publication "Notice to Mariners," establish the following facts.

At 1700 Greenwich Mean Time, the S. S. Iberville, north and east of Midway Island, noticed a white object about 20 degrees above the NW horizon. Its apparent angular size was about 1 degree (twice the apparent size of the full moon). For about 10 minutes, the UFO was observed passing over the ship headed southeast. As it neared the ship's meridian, it resembled a huge halo with a bright object in the center. The apparent size increased to over four times the size of the full moon. [See Notice to Mariners report, reproduced below.]

At the same time, a British Overseas Airways Corporation (BOAC) airliner about 800 miles northeast of the ship saw the object overtake the plane. From a steep angle above the plane, the UFO continued southeasterly and disappeared over the horizon. Capt. R. F. Griffin described the UFO as "like a large smoke ring about 2 degrees in diameter [about 4 times the size of the full moon]." He said the center of the ring was clear sky, and once a star was visible through it. A ray of light seemed to project downward from the object.

A Pan American Airways plane, about 400 miles southeast of Capt. Griffin's position, confirmed the report. The pilot reported a doughnut-shaped object moving easterly about 10 degrees above the horizon. [66.]

The Soviet Union announced a few days later that they had successfully test fired a multi-stage carrier rocket over the pacific (exact date not on record). However, the reported size of the UFO was far too large to be explained as a rocket payload.



Distance Midway to Hawaii:
1312 Statute Miles

A. Position of S.S. Iberville

B. Position of BOAC Airliner

C. Position of PAA Airliner

(Lines of sight indicated by Arrows)

From: Washington State NICAP Subcommittee, % June Larson, 11323 14th NE, Seattle 55, Wn

Honolulu, Hawaii Advertiser - 29 September 1961 - 3 PILOTS REPORT SEEING UNKNOWN OBJECT IN SKY - At least three airplane pilots spotted a doughnut shaped unidentified flying object high in the sky between Japan and Midway last week. The Federal Aviation Agency said Pan American Airways and British Overseas Airways Corporation reported the sightings. B.O.A.C. said that five minutes before its pilot saw the object, he talked with an Air Force pilot who had seen it. B.O.A.C. Capt. R.F. Griffin reported to the line's operations center here that he spotted the object "in appearance like a large smoke ring" at 3 a.m. September 22 Tokyo time when he was about 1100 miles out of Tokyo bound for Honolulu. Griffin reported the ring was "not unlike the aurora in texture and color." Griffin's plane, was headed east and the object, about 50 degrees up, moved rapidly east-southeast, disappearing over the horizon at 3:06 a.m., BOAC said. Griffin's altitude was 37,000 feet, and the pilot made no estimate of the "doughnut's" altitude, the line said. "The center of the ring was clear sky," and stars were visible through it, Griffin reported. At 3:16 a.m., after the phenomenon had disappeared, Griffin saw a satellite traveling in th opposite direction, B.O.A.C. said.

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10 p.c. OF ALL 'SIGHTINGS' STILL BAFFLE SCIENTISTS

Should we laugh at flying saucers?

THE disc-shaped object hovered silently a few feet above the head of the startled motorist and at the same time his ignition system cut out. After what seemed a lifetime, the object tilted over steeply and made off at high speed.

The figment of a tired mind, imaginative nonsense dreamed up by a publicity-seeker?

No — the genuine experience of a rational man who, in common with many others, still seeks an explanation of what he saw, writes Nell Jones.

Sir Gilbert Inglefield, Derbyshire-born company director and former Sheriff of the City of London, has talked to me at length of his meetings with people from all walks of life who want to know the truth about "flying saucers"—in official language U.F.O.s. "Unidentified Flying Objects."

HE'S NOT A CRANK

Sir Gilbert is no publicity-seeker, nor is he a crank. He has not seen a U.F.O. himself, but he has spent a great deal of his spare time over the past 10 or 15 years investigating reports of "sightings" by others.

This has involved him in much reading. His research has taken him from the files of Spanish and Portuguese newspapers to the literature of Buddhism and other religions.

Are flying saucers the hallucinations of a society with too much science fiction? Those who have seen them are convinced that their eyes were not deceiving them.

Returning to the religious theme—an early book of the St. James I Bible refers to "God descending to earth in a fiery chariot like a spinning disc."

IGNITION CUT OUT

What did the motorist see on a road near Luton on a bright moonlight night three years ago?

His car was brand new and had been recently test-checked out of the factory. He was driving along a road near a reservoir when his ignition cut out.

Looking up, he saw a strange sight. Only a few feet above his head was a strange circular object. Its diameter spanned the road silently. The motorist, who was also a qualified engineer, noticed something else — unnerved though he was.

Though the object was metallic it showed no rivets or bolts.

After some 30 seconds, the object tilted and veered off at speed. The car engine started again. The motorist proceeded on his way.

SEEMED SOBER

Sir Gilbert told me that he and a friend had questioned the man. He seemed particularly sober and stuck to his story throughout.

Sir Gilbert's attitude is that although many recorded "sightings" have been shown to have perfectly mundane explanations, a small percentage—some 10 per cent. — remain a mystery.

His theory concerns this unaccounted-for 10 per cent., and asks why, if America and Russia can send manned satellites into orbit and television cameras can be rocketed to the moon, should there not be other intelligences in the vastnesses of space.

He maintains that we still have not had satisfactory accounts of some happenings. He asks: If there are such things as flying saucers, what are they? Where do they come from? Why do they come?

LACK OF INFORMATION

The Defence Ministry says that generally when such things are reported to them "the ability to investigate the occurrence suffers from the lack of information of what the witness has actually seen."

But the Ministry says it investigates wherever possible, and in 90 per cent. of cases finds a "perfectly reasonable and rational explanation for the report."

The Ministry says that in the remaining 10 per cent. of cases "the information available was insufficient to support an adequate inquiry."

And it adds: "No evidence of the existence of so-called flying saucers has been discovered."

The U.S. Defence Department also admits to being baffled by some 10 per cent. of "sightings."

SPECIAL

WHAT WAS IT? OPTICAL ILLUSION OR VISITOR FROM INTERPLANETARY SPACE?
IF YOU SEE ONE, TELL THE BRITISH U.F.O. RESEARCH ASSOCIATION. THEY WILL INVESTIGATE. SOON WE MAY KNOW FOR SURE.

February 9, 1962, 3 a.m. Dunstable. Ronald Wildman, of Luton, was driving his car when suddenly his headlights lit up a fantastic object, 40ft. across and 25ft. above the road. It was shaped like a saucer. [*Pictures reproduced by permission of the Daily Sketch*].

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Light on a 'saucer'

SEVERAL years ago I had the opportunity of seeing a "flying "saucer" over Newark. In the early night sky my attention was suddenly drawn to a very bright elliptical light of pulsating form. I was surprised to see the bright shape hang motionless for a few seconds and then it streaked away towards the horizon, merging with the lights of the town two miles away from my position.

I was not prepared to talk of the experience as I did not wish to bring ridicule upon myself. I listened for other people to say that they also had seen the light, yet no one spoke of it, so I kept quiet and found a solution.

It so happened that I was alighting from my motor vehicle in a garage yard at teatime on a dark evening. The weather was clear after a shower of rain and the town's halo of street lighting was two miles away and due south. The darkness of the sky obliterated a long column of smoke extending from the Staythorpe Power Station and directly over and above Newark at a few hundred feet.

Staythorpe lay on my right, Newark directly ahead, and the solution to the problem lay on my left. I decided that a motor vehicle with very bright lights would be approaching Newark from Sleaford and, a few seconds before he reached the top of Beacon Hill, his headlights would reflect the wet surface of the road and focus a pool of bright light pulsating around a spot along the column of grey Staythorpe chimney smoke. Then the vehicle would suddenly dip down Beacon Hill into Newark and the spot of light would shoot along the column of smoke down to its source at Staythorpe.

Unless all these conditions existed and unless a person stood where I stood, then anyone else would not witness the "saucer." I suggest that all "flying saucers" are seen close to hilltops and are caused by the focus of certain vehicle lights forming a saucer of illumination in the dark sky as the vehicle climbs a hill. Then when the vehicle dips downhill over the top of the rise, so will the saucer of light streak soundlessly away and cause an observer to be afraid of the inexplicable.

BREWER

Newark.

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THE ALEC BIRCH PHOTOGRAPH

IN our July-August issue we reproduced the photograph of flying saucers taken above his home by Alec Birch, of Mosborough, Sheffield, early in 1962. In the subsequent issue we reported that the Alec Birches, father and son, had visited the Air Ministry in London where the photograph and the camera were inspected by experts who were unable to explain what the objects were. It caused very little surprise, however, when the experts, having recovered their wind, so to speak, were able to find an "explanation" that would satisfy those members of the public anxious to be reassured that everything is under control.

The *Yorkshire Post* on November 1 carried the following report: "A letter from the Air Ministry describes 'unidentified flying objects' seen over Sheffield last March as probably reflected ice particles This is 'dodging the issue,' says the father of the boy who photographed the objects.

"Mr. Alec Birch, of Moor Crescent, Mosborough, Sheffield, terms the Ministry's story 'rubbish.' It was his son Alec, 15, who photographed the five objects last March.

"They were so vivid that Mr. Birch and Alec were invited to visit the Air Ministry with the picture, negative and camera. Later Alec addressed a convention of the Unidentified Flying Objects Society in London.

"He has had letters from many parts of the world complimenting him on the excellence of his pictures. The Ministry's letter says that March 4 was overcast, with snow and some sun and ice particles in the atmosphere.

"'In the Sheffield area smoke and haze were present and, generally, cloud formations at various altitudes were many and varied,' it states. 'Pockets of warm air rising from the city would have caused temperature inversions. Under these conditions, reflected and refracted light can cause peculiar effects in the sky. It is possible that this attracted the attention of Alec and his friends and that the photograph is of effects of this kind.

"'It is also a possibility that the photograph of the 'flying objects.' is the result of an imperfect exposure. To sum up, the photograph can be explained in mundane terms and does not mean that so-called 'unidentified objects' must have been over Sheffield at the time it was taken.'

"Mr. Birch told *The Yorkshire Post* last night: 'This letter contradicts what the Air Ministry told us in London. They said then they could find no fault with either the camera or the photograph.'

"A few days ago Alec and his parents all saw what they believe to be a flying saucer in the same area. 'It was a black object with an orange glow on top of it, and we saw it for some seconds before it flew away,' Mr. Birch said."

However annoying such "explanations" may be to serious students of the mystery of flying saucers, it is felt that, in some ways, the Air Ministry is unwittingly helping our cause. Short of an official admission that saucers exist, statements like the above are bound to convince thousands of people of the more reflective type that those in authority are desperately anxious to persuade the masses to forget about UFOs. Those of our readers old enough will remember that when Hitler launched the first of his V2 rockets on London, the Government inspired the rumour that the noises were caused by exploding gas mains. We mention this to remind our readers that what Government officials are really "expert" in is the gentle art of misleading the public when it wants to. As we now know that the Government is fully informed about flying saucers (see the leading article in the November-December, 1962, issue), we regard this latest rationalisation by the Air Ministry as just another confirmation of the fact.

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January 29, 1962--Eastern Holland. Radar-visual sighting by Dutch AF F-86 pilot. [X]

February 9, 1962--Ashton Clinton, Beds., England. Disc-like UFO with apparent dome, "portholes", hovered low over road. [VIII, XII]

February 11, 1962--Parque del Este, Caracas, Venezuela. Formations of UFOs, about 16 objects in all, were observed by many people. Sr. Carlos Pineda, at nearby Humboldt Planetarium, witnessed one of the UFOs, described as "a body giving off a brilliant light. . . moving at great altitude as if towards the moon." [X]

February 20, 1962--Col. John Glenn orbital flight, Project Mercury.

The "Nederlandse Studiekring Voor Ufologie" has been active for several years in Amsterdam, Holland. Mr. A.F. van Wieringen, a member of its board, is also a NICAP member and correspondent. A recent report investigated by his group involved a Royal Dutch Air Force pilot who chased a UFO January 29, 1962, over eastern Holland. After sighting the object and seeing it on the radar set of the F-86, the pilot radioed his base. He was informed that the UFO was also being tracked by ground radar. Following instructions, he tried to make radio contact with the unidentified object, but there was no response. Arming his "Sidewinder" rocket, the pilot tried to close in, but the UFO swiftly pulled away before he could fire, and disappeared within seconds.

Formations of UFOs, about 16 objects in all, passing from east to west between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. were witnessed by many people in the Parque del Este, Caracas, February 11, 1962. One witness, Sr. Emiro Ayesta, ran to the Humboldt Planetarium in the park where Sr. Carlos Pineda of the Planetarium staff witnessed one of the UFOs. Sr. Pineda described it as "a body giving off a brilliant light, moving at great altitude as if towards the moon." [32]

An Aer Lingus (Irish International Airlines) pilot reported a globe-shaped unidentified object which flew beneath his Viscount May 21, 1962, above southern England. While flying from Cork to Brussels at about 17,000 feet, Capt. Gordon Pendleton and First Officer J.P. Murphy saw the UFO approaching head-on. They estimated the rate of closure at about 1200 m.p.h. The UFO sped past about 3,000 feet below the airliner at close to 700 m.p.h. "I could see it quite clearly," Capt. Pendleton said. "It definitely had no wings. It was brown, appeared to be round and had a number of projections, looking rather like some kind of radio antennae, on its surface. I have never seen anything like it before." [42]

The most recent series of sightings in Argentina (as this is being written) began in May 1962, continuing throughout the year. The incidents included reported landings with resultant markings and stains on the ground, highly maneuverable luminous phenomena, electro-magnetic effects, and other typical UFO features. [See Section XII; Argentine Chronology]

On May 22, 1962, UFOs were sighted four times in a period of about 35 minutes by a flight of Navy pilots in the vicinity of Espora Naval Air Base. In one instance, about 7:20 p.m., student pilot Roberto Wilkinson reported that a luminous object trailing his plane lit up his cockpit, and his radio-electric transmission failed as the UFO passed below his aircraft. [13]

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LA NAZON 15 May 1962

Translated by J.A. Hall, Jr.

TWO YOUNG LADIES FROM CORDOBA ALSO SAW THE STRANGE FLYING OBJECT WHICH APPEARED LAST SUNDAY. IT LEFT BEHIND IT FOG AND THE TRACE OF A REDDISH CAST.

THE FLYING SAUCER WAS OBSERVED IN CHUMBICHA, CATAMARCA, AND FLOODED THE AREA WITH LIGHT.

CORDOBA — According to information we have received, last Sunday several inhabitants of this city, between 4 and 4:30 in the morning, saw a strange object glow through the air. They believed it to be a flying saucer. It travelled at high speed in the direction of the (dike? barrier?) of Los Molinos, and then disappeared.

This morning we received new reports of the alleged phenomenon, coming from two well-known young ladies of this city who also witnessed the strange event while they were en route from Rosario to Cordoba at about the same time on that day. They related that they were travelling by automobile and were near Cruz Alta when one of them saw an enlongated shape, very brightly luminous, with streaks of red, yellow, and green, pass rapidly across the sky at a constant altitude. A few moments later they noticed that the area seemed to fill suddenly with fog, and then they saw near the road, but somewhat concealed behind a clump of trees, something which seemed to appear suddenly, and which seemed to be a sort of hut strangely illuminated by red, green, and yellow lights spread out like arrows. As the automobile continued its journey, they commented upon the unusual apparition of the enlongated figure which seemed to be a large comet since it left behind a very bright wake which seemed to be a tail; the almost complete and immediate disappearance of this object, and the unexpected appearance of the strange hut.

They make clear to us that, at the time, they did not think that they had witnessed the appearance of a flying saucer, but that, later, when they read in the newspapers that others had seen ghostly sights, there was not the slightest doubt in their minds that the incident had involved a real object. Furthermore, Dolan, a local daily [illegible] its telegraphic [illegible] time, under date of the 14th, the following news from Chumbicha, a village in the province of Catamarca: "A strange luminous body which glowed rapidly across the heavens was clearly observed by a number of persons waiting for the arrival of a bus from the Dolal Line, which provides passenger service between Cordoba and Catamarca. The object followed a horizontal line of flight at a very low altitude. It threw out behind itself extremely bright white and blue streaks, so bright that it illuminated the entire area, and turned the night into day, since it was then

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about 5 in the morning. The body disappeared over the horizon a moment later. Another strange event is that, within 40 minutes the bus arrived, and the driver and passengers alike showed signs of nervousness, and related that they had observed the passage of the luminous body at about 4:40 in the vicinity of Carranza.

LA NACION 16 May 1962

FLYING SAUCER?

To the information coming form Mendoza, San Juan, and Cordoba about the appearance in the sky during the early morning of last Sunday (13 May) of an unidentified object, may now be added news from our correspondents in Bahia Blanca, La Rioja and Ameghino.

We are informed that, in the region of Mayor Buratovich, Sr. Rene Ottavianelli, his wife, and a relative saw two shining dots flying parallel and close together, and giving off a bright orange-colored light. These objects travelled at fantastic speeds toward the southwest. This observation is corroborated by other similar ones in nearby regions.

An inhabitant of La Barrera, located 15 km. from La Rioja tells us that he saw an object surrounded by a bright halo of red and yellow, which moved toward the west at a constant altitude and very high speed. The statements of this inhabitant, Sr. Raul Elias, were confirmed by hunters in the vicinity. Finally, in Ameghino, Dr. Jorge M. Vallina and a group of companions saw a shining body, phosphorescent green in color, with a tail of fire. Upon approaching, the witnesses observed that there were four or five slightly enlongated balls which, seen together, presented the appearance of a cigar. The altitude was low, and the direction from Northwest to Southeast. Although the facts are not identical, and there are some contradictions, these reports agree as to the presence of some strange object in the sky.

LA RAZON 19 May 1962

NEW OBSERVATION IN BAHIA BLANCA OF A STRANGE BODY IN SPACE

BAHIA BLANCA — For the second time in less than a week, inhabitants of this city observed a strange object in the sky. Personnel of the airport located in Villa Harding Green, and of the commercial company Austral saw early in the morning yesterday (18May) a small, slightly reddish body of high luminosity which was moving in a horizontal direction over the landing field. The rapid flight of the strange body, similar to a flying saucer, took place at low altitude so that tongues of flame could easily be seen coming from the object. After flying over the field for a short time, the object disappeared over the bay.

LA RAZON 24 May 1962

CORDOBA WANTS TO KNOW IF THE LUMINOUS OBJECTS WHICH HAVE BEEN OBSERVED SINCE THE 13TH ARE FLYING SAUCERS.

CORDOBA — The astronomical observatory at Cordoba says that it is collecting facts about the luminous phenomenon — flying saucers — seen since dawn of the 13th of May in several places in this country. The aforesaid institute says that, given the disparity of information available, it would be happy to receive complete reports, including, if possible photographs or sketches of the objects observed.. After indicating the proper way to submit information, the observatory adds that it wants help in determining if we are dealing with a shower of meteorites (a natural phenomenon), the disintegration of a man-made satellite, or possibly some other kind of phenomenon.

LA NACION 24 May 1962

APPEARANCE OF FLYING SAUCERS IS OBJECT OF STUDY.

EYE WITNESSES OF LANDINGS INTERROGATED AT THE SITE OF THEIR OBSERVATIONS.

BAHIA BLANCA— Since the observation of an unidentified object in the sky over Bahia Blanca has been confirmed by qualified witnesses, many reports of similar sightings in the vicinity have been received. The collection and analysis of these reports will be the duty of a special commission whose arrival at the naval base of Puerto Belgrano is expected momentarily.

With a group of newsmen and witnesses of former sightings of OVNIS (objectos volandos no identificados, i.e. UFOs), Captain Luis Sanchez Moreno of Naval(Public Information? Intelligence?) went to kilometer marker 72 on route 35, the road to La Pampa, to examine the site where, according to several truck drivers, two flying saucers had landed. These objects took to the air when the witnesses came within 70 meters of them.

At that place, the truck drivers, Valentin Tomasini, Cuaro Tomasini, and Humberto Zenobi, gave a detailed report of the event they had witnessed.

They were travelling toward La Pampa at about 4:10 AM on the morning of the 12th when they saw, about 100 meters from the highway, something which appeared to them a brightly lighted railroad car. As they drew near, the object began to move and flew at a low altitude across the highway, some 70 meters ahead of the leading truck. The lights, which might have been 20 or 30 in number, were flickering, according to Cuaro Tomasini, whose testimony was tape-recorded, and shortly after crossing the road, they went out altogether.

Then a reddish flash about 50 cm by 1.20 m shot out, and the vehicle rose. When it was in the air, they observed that it was made up of two separate bodies which then flew off in different directions until they disappeared in the distance.

The vehicle stayed on the ground for about one minute.

The witness added, under interrogation about the nature of the lights, that they seemed to come from the interior of the vehicle through little windows, about 20 in number.

The propulsion element emitted only a hum which the witness compared to that of a telephone receiver when placed to the ear.

The truck drivers went on their way, and as they returned, they stopped at the place where the machine had been, and noted a number of damp greying stains which they supposed were the remains of fuel used by the machine. Yesterday samples of earth were taken from these stains or from their remains for analysis at Puerto Belgrano.

The Chief of (Information? Intelligence?) at the Naval Base, Captain Sanchez Moreno, stated to the press that the Navy Department has been constantly concerned with the phenomenon of unidentified objects in space since the year 1952 and that, when he was in Mar del Plata he had occasion, with a captain of a frigate, and a signalman, to observe the movements of such objects.

"Logically," he pointed out, "it was not a matter of stars or planets, but of mobile bodies with incredible speed and irregularity of movement."

He added that in the department of which he has charge he has the testimony of four people who, travelling by automobile at 4:30 on the morning of the 12th, saw three luminous objects at very close range and very clearly.

These objects travelled for a distance in the same direction as the car, and gave off such a bright light that the passengers could see one another in the car as in full sunlight.

"And furthermore one of them had to undergo treatment for his eyes because the intense luminocity injured the retina."

One of the saucers performed maneuvers of ascent and descent, sometimes flying below the horizon, and had to slant over groves of trees, which shows that it was moving close to the ground.

Finally, be it noted that Rear Admiral Eladio M. Vazquez sent the second in command of the naval district, Captain Aldo Molinari, confirmed to the newsmen that while they were waiting in Ezpora at the U. S. Military Mission the day before at 19:40 they saw a "flying saucer", possibly the one photographed by the reporter from "La Nueva Provincia".

LA NACION 24 May 1962

INVESTIGATION

BAHIA BLANCA — Yesterday Medical Captain Constantino Nunez of the National Atomic Energy Agency arrived in this city by air for the purpose of taking part in the investigation related to flying saucers. Immediately he went by helicopter to the area where two of these objects were seen on the ground, and from which remains of fuel or some solid material were taken, on the subject of which nothing can be learned.

During the afternoon Captain Luis Sanchez Moreno and a group of men who were assisting him still remained at the scene of the sighting.

KITCHENER ONTARIO

MAY 25-1962, NOON NEWS

CKKW NEWS DEPARTMENT

AN OFFICIAL ARGENTINE TELEVISION STATION, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE AIR FORCE, LAST NIGHT TOLD THE STORY— OF A WOMAN RANCHER WHO SAW A "FLYING SAUCER" AT CLOSE QUARTERS AND WAS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL SUFFERING FROM SHOCK.

THE TELEVISION ACCOUNT DID NOT DISCLOSE THE WOMAN'S NAME BUT SAID SHE WAS FROM THE SOUTH-CENTRAL PROVINCE OF LA PAMPA.

SHE WAS REPORTED TO HAVE SEEN TWO STRANGE MEN RESEMBLING ROBOTS NEAR THE UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT.

THE REPORT SAID EXPERTS HAD CONFIRMED THAT GRASS IN THE AREA WHERE THE OBJECT WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE LANDED WAS SINGED IN A CIRCLE 18 FEET IN DIAMETER.

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UN OBJETO EXTRANO HABRIA SIDO VISTO EN SAUCE VIEJO

Santa Fe---Solo ayer por la tarde se supo en esta capital que el miercoles, entre las 12 y las 13, en las proximadades del cercano distrito de Sauce Viejo, departmento La Capital, fue observado en el cielo, volando a gran altura, un objecto extrano.

Segun algumos testigos presenciales del fenomeno, en su mayoria operarios de la fabrica de automoviles D.K.W. Auto Union, el aparato tenio una forma ovalada y semejante a un sombrero.

Otros testigos afirman que el aparato tenio la forma de un disco grande y que un grupo de tres aviones no identificados se hallaban volando sobre el lugar.

En procura de mas detalles solicitamos informes al aerodromo de esa localidad, donde se nos dijo que no sabian nada sabre esta fenomeno, pero que efectivamente a esa hora tres aviones volaban sobre el lugar, que eran de la base aerea de Parana y que aterrizaron para reabastecerse de combustible.

La Prensa 6/1/62

A STRANGE OBJECT SEEN IN SAUCE VIEJO

Yesterday afternoon, Wednesday between 12 and one o'clock, in the neighboring district of Sauce Viejo, department of theCapital, a strange object was seen, flying at a high altitude.

According to some witnesses who saw the phenomenon, mostly workers in the automobile factory, D.K.W. Auto Union, the object was oval-shaped and partly like a sombrero.

Other witnesses said that the object was a large disc and that a group of three unidentified airplanes (seemed to be, were said to be) flying over the spot.

In trying to obtain details, information was requested from the local airport, where we were told that they had no information about (knew nothing about) this phenomenon (sighting), but that at the hour in question three airplaines from the Parana Airbase were flying in the area and had landed to refuel.

CELESTIAL FOOTBALLS

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A strange story from Kimberley

ACCORDING to the *Diamond Fields Advertiser* for June 19, two extraordinary objects fell out of the sky on Sunday morning, June 15. They came to earth in the backyard of Mr. D. van Graan, of Ceres, near Kimberley, South Africa.

These objects, said Mr. van Graan, were about the size of soccer balls and made of some sort of material, about a quarter of an inch thick, with holes in it: it was soft, but he did not think it was made of rubber, plastic or leather.

In a statement to a *Diamond Fields Advertiser* reporter Mr. van Graan said: "I was in my pigeon loft when I thought I saw a flash of lightning, so I turned round and then I saw these two objects fall into the yard. They looked as though they might have had something inside originally."

Mr. van Graan put the objects into a paper bag in his pigeon loft. When he looked again on June 18, he found to his surprise that they had shrunk to about the size of a tennis ball and whereas they had been brown they were now white. He has given one to the town clerk, who will try to have it identified.

The Meteorological Department at the D. F. Malan Airport said that from the description it did sound as though their department was the right one to deal with the mystery.

The South African Air Force spokesman said it could not be theirs as they did not fly on Sunday. Anything dropping from a Sputnik would have been burnt up in the atmosphere.

(Credit to Mr. Phillip J. Human.)

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From D. Hall

La Razon; 17 de Jlio de 1962

Translation:

San Carlos de Bafilocha.- The radio network of Río Negro and Neuquén, also Santa Cruz, have been alerted on news of the appearance of five flying saucers over the lake region. The "saucers" had previously been sighted over Bahía Blanca, and were seen by the local airport employees and farmers on " El Condor" plantation, manouvering in the sky in broad daylight.
The appearance of these flying objects motivated radio messages to all planes flying in this section of Argentina and requesting all possible information from eye witnesses. The eye witnesses of "El Condor" plantation communicated immediately with the airport at Sn Carlos de Bariloche where the "flying saucers" had already been sighted and observed disappearing for an unknown destination.

From D. Hall

Martes 24 de julio de 1962 LA RAZON Página 9

No hay Artificio ni Truco Alguno, Dicen los Técnicos, en las Fotografías que se Tomaron a un Plato Volador que Evolucionó Sobre la Ciudad de Córdoba

CÓRDOBA. — Hace relativamente poco tiempo que tres estudiantes del Instituto de Matemáticas y Astronomía de ésta declararon que mientras se aprestaban a fotografiar una antena de un equipo radiotransmisor de propiedad de uno de ellos de apellido Lapadula, que estaba ubicada en el techo de su casa, situada en la primera cuadra de la calle Maipú, vieron un plato volador que evolucionaba sobre la ciudad. Lapadula, según las referencias de los tres, de inmediato impresionó ocho o diez placas con la máquina fotográfica que tenía en ese momento.

Ahora, examinados los negativos por especialistas en fotografía, éstos afirman que no hubo truco ni artificio alguno para obtener aquellas fotos. El estudio de los negativos estuvo a cargo de los señores Carlos A. Saperas, Ulderico Todó y René Begé. Según éstos, manifiestan que observados los negativos con una potente lupa de 30 milímetros de distancia focal no se ve ninguna particularidad que permita afirmar que hubieran sido retocados o adulterados. Añaden que a pesar de la diversidad en los ángulos de toma y de iluminación, todas las fotografías se identifican tan perfectamente que resulta imposible admitir que se pudieran hacer nueve fotomontajes de esta índole sin incurrir en algún error de perspectiva o de iluminación. Finalmente expresan que la tira de negativos es "Ferrania pancromática 32 Din". Tiene en total 11 cuadros. Nueve satisfactoriamente expuestos, uno deficiente y uno en blanco. Las fotografías —añade el dictamen— son normales y reflejan lo que captó la cámara.

Translation:

Córdoba.- Recently three [illegible] of the [illegible] Astronomy, while [illegible] photographing [illegible] transmitting tower belonging to one of them, Mr. Lapadula, on the roof of the [illegible], sighted a "Flying Saucer". His house is located in the first square of "[illegible] Maipú". Lapadula took [illegible] photos of the "saucer". On examination of the prints of these photos, experts in [illegible] photography testified that the photos had not been retouched nor adulterated in any way. The photos were made with "Ferrania [illegible] 32 Din film" with 11 [illegible] made with [illegible] prints, one defective and [illegible] taken from different angles [illegible] the flying object with [illegible] double exposure nor retouching.

La Razon; 29 de Julio de 1962

Translation:

Paraná.- Apparently the surrounding zone of this city has become the favorite tourist site for "flying saucers" and their crews supposedly from other planets. One version is that a young student while enroute in his car to "Bajada Grande", about 5 kilometers from Paraná near a cement plant sighted a very tall person with a melon shaped head, long almost white hair, with 3 unblinking eyes with a fixed stare. The young man stated that in his haste to leave the scene his motor stalled for some unknown reason. The strange creature approached and violently wrenched away his scarf after which turning in circles like a "trompo" left the scene leaving footprints in the sand. The Student, Ricardo Mieres, age 17 is a student at the Nacional College and managed to start the car after the strange creature disappeared. He drove quickly to the center of the city of Paraná. In the public square "Plaza de Mayo" Mieres organized an expedition of students on motorcycles to accompany him to the spot of his strange experience where the scarf and footprints were observed. Other persons testified that they had seen a strange glow from a space vehicle flying at low altitude which vanished at very high speed.

Translation:

La Razon; 3 de Agosto de 1962

Corrientes.- The Airport of Cochabamba, near the City of Corrientes, must now be added to the long list of places in Argentina visited by the supposed "flying saucers". Early yesterday morning the director of this airport, Mr. Luis Harvey was advised by telephone that an unidentified plane was approaching the landing strip. Mr. Harvey went immediately to the airport with other officials and on approaching the landing strip they observed a luminous object in the sky flying at considerable speed. Supposing that the "saucer" was in difficulties Mr. Harvey ordered the landing strip made ready but he was surprised to observe that the object was perfectly round and hovered over the field some 3 minutes only a few feet high giving off blue, green and orange colored rays. When Mr. Harvey and his assistants tried to approach closer to the "saucer" it vanished at very high speed. Mr. Harvey advised the local government authorities. They were numerous eye witnesses of this event.

Translation:

La Razon; 4 de Agosto de 1962

La Plata.- A young married couple, residents of the town of Chascomus, Engineer Sommi and his wife on Wendsday went to La Plata to attend a funeral. On thursday while on the way back to Chascomus they noted about 1:40 in the morning near the town of Olmos a strange fluorescent light which reflected on the hood of their truck. On closer observation they noted that the object was a bright circular tube which was flying at about the height of the hood of their truck and give off red sparks. The strange object followed parallel with them for about 15 kilometers, Mr. Sommi tried increasing his speed but the object maintained the same speed. On approaching a rest stop "El Atalaya" the cylindrical object vanished.

Engineer Sommi stated to "La Razón's correspondent" that according to his technical knowledge, the object and the type of light it gave off was apparently some space vehicle from another planet.

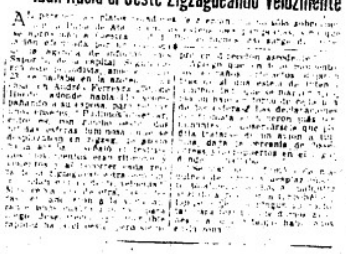
Other accounts from the post of the Border Police (Gendarmería Nacional) in the town of Eldorado, Misiones, state that at least 20 persons observed 5 to 7 similar strange flying objects advancing at great speed from the south to the north. This happened on Friday of last week about 7 P.M. in the evening.

Other individuals who witnessed the same flying objects were: Felipe Prieto, travelling salesman, while in Puerto Libertad; and Víctor José Patiño and Ernesto Caballero who saw the same type of objects flying from north to south about 3 A.M. on the 28th of July.

The Border patrol police authorities are very worried about these strange objects but are reserved in their anaylisis about their origen.

LA RAZON — Jueves 23 de agosto de 1962

Un Periodista Asegura Haber Visto en Haedo, Durante 4 Minutos, 2 Esferas Luminosas que Iban Hacia el Oeste Zigzagueando Velozmente



Translation:

Apparently the "flying saucers" are approaching our city. According to informations given by one of the "Saporiti" information agency's reporter two neat luminous spheres were sighted while he was, the night before, helping his wife on the roof of his house. The flying objects approached in zig zag fashion. The eye witness added that all their movements were rhythmic and violent and that they were very close to each other. They were sighted for only 4 minutes, disappearing at an incredible speed, but always in an ascending direction.

The reporter informed that the objects sighted left a trail of intense luminosity. He also affirmed that they were machines completely unknown and that they gave no sound.

BUENOS AIRES HERALD — Wednesday, August 29, 1962

More saucers sighted in Paysandú

Paysandú, Uruguay

A flying saucer was seen here again yesterday, one of many that have been reported in the last few weeks.

This time the saucer was reported by a surveyor, Arthur Davidson, and his two companions, Ricardo Gabbetta and Luis Maria Cabrera.

There have been a number of reports lately of flying saucer sightings in Paysandú and in nearby Entre Rios, Argentina. (UP)

August 2, 1962--Liberal, Kansas. Series of brightly lighted colored objects seen by airline pilot, airport personnel, and passengers at airport. [V]

September 8, 1962--Floresta, Argentine. "Burnished metal" lens-shaped UFO sighted by Argentine Navy pilot. [X, XII]

Venezuela has been the scene of so much UFO activity that as of 1963, according to a NICAP member who visited Caracas, the sight of huge glowing objects lighting up mountain tops around the city was no longer considered noteworthy. Active in UFO investigation around Caracas are Dr. Askold Ladonko (NICAP Adviser) and Horacio Gonzalez Ganteaume (NICAP member). In December 1962 over an unexplored jungle area near famous Angel Falls, a UFO was photographed on 8 mm movie film by Mr. Ali Diaz. Diaz was aboard a DC-3 plane carrying vacationists on a tour to view the beautiful scenery. Dr. Ladonko and Gonzalez Ganteaume notified NICAP, interviewed Diaz, and encouraged analysis of the film.

During June 1963 a Spanish speaking NICAP member from New York City, Mr. Jose A. Cecin, flew to Caracas and borrowed the original film. Analysis of it currently is being arranged by NICAP. [See Section VIII]. Viewed at the NICAP office by the staff and several members, the movie shows an eerie, brilliant yellow, tear-drop shaped light rising from the base of Auyantepuy Mountain, oscillating back and forth as it accelerates across the mountain, blue sky and clouds.

(During his visit to Caracas, Mr. Cecin was told of an incident in which a prominent citizen was driving through a rural area when he saw a large disc hovering over a field where several peasants were working. He excitedly called their attention to it. "We know about it," they replied casually. "It comes here every day. It doesn't bother anyone.")

In addition to receiving good cooperation from the Embassy, NICAP is indebted to Mr. Thomas Williams, Fundacion Williams, Buenos Aires; Mr. Christian Vogt, Secretary of the "Comision Observadora de Objetos Voladores No Identificados (CODOVNI)" and Ing. William Kalocai, Director of the "Centro Investigador de Fenomenos Espaciales (C.I.F.E.)," Bahia Blanca, [14] for details of many Argentine UFO cases. At Ezeiza International Airport, Buenos Aires, December 22, 1962, a UFO was sighted about 3:00 a.m. Tower operators Horacio Alora and Mario Pezzutto were watching an Aerolineas Argentinas plane which was about to take off, and an approaching DC-8 jet operated by Panagra (a division of Pan American Airways).

One of the operators was radioing landing instructions when the jet Captain suddenly broke in:

"What's that thing at the end of the runway?"

An instant later, the same question came from one of the Argentine airliner pilots. Operator Alora turned and saw a large round object, glowing with an intense fiery light, at the head of runway 1-0-2-8. It had evidently descended while he and Pezzutto were watching the two airliners.

Because of the UFOs' brilliant glow, Alora could not tell whether it had actually touched down or was hovering just above the runway. At the moment he turned, the UFO rose about ten meters, hovering briefly. Then, rapidly accelerating, it took off on a northeast course. Before it disappeared, it was also seen by Operator Pezzutto.

During the 1962 sightings around Buenos Aires, as well as in remote areas of the country, key cases were reported freely on television. Argentina's treatment of the UFO question provides an interesting contrast with the secretive policy of the U.S. Government.

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LA SEGUNDA

Santiago de Chile, viernes 18 de enero de 1963.

Perro Alemán Viaja a USA Para "Investigar" Crímenes

BERLIN.— (AFP).— Partirá con rumbo a Estados Unidos el perro policial alemán "Harro von Urstamm", contratado por la policía norteamericana para que "esclarezca" varios crímenes misteriosos.

"Harro", que tiene siete años, irá acompañado por su amador Hans Repenning, un agente de 38 años.

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FLORENCIA (Italia), 18 (AP).— Pier Luigi Quiriconi, de 22 años de edad, hace frente a nueve meses de cárcel hoy por todos sus dolores.

Un tribunal militar lo sentenció por haberse hecho sacar de una vez nueve dientes para evitar servir 18 meses en el ejército italiano.

PLATILLOS

PARANA (Argentina), 18 (AFP).— Los platillos voladores dan todavía que hablar en Argentina. En estos últimos tiempos, al decir de los habitantes de la provincia de Entre Ríos, el cielo de esta región es surcado por vuelos extraños.

Lo más curioso del caso es que los platillos voladores habrían dejado huellas en forma de partículas vidriosas. Se afirma haber visto caer una lluvia de partículas, de las que se habrían recogido algunas muestras para su análisis.

Y no sólo los habitantes de Entre Ríos, sino también los de la localidad del Nilo, asistieron posteriormente a este espectáculo.

Los análisis practicados indicarían que se trata de partículas que contienen cilicio, boro, cálcio y magnesio, lo que indicaría que podrían provenir de tubos de escape.

UN DISCO VOLANTE! '63

Una misteriosa astronave sarebbe scesa in Inghilterra

Londra 23 (ANSA) notte.

Un eminente esperto in materia di dischi volanti si è detto convinto che «visitatori provenienti da spazi esterni» hanno provocato il misterioso cratere scoperto tempo fa in un campo di orzo presso la cittadina inglese di Charlton. Lo esperto è il signor Girvin, direttore del periodico trimestrale «Rivista dei dischi volanti», il quale commentava lo strano incavo scoperto undici giorni fa in un campo dell'agricoltore Roy Blanchard: si tratta di un diametro del diametro di

[illegible] dischi volanti e [illegible] da tempo

partono da esse.

Girvin si è detto certo che l'origine della depressione non sia terrestre ma che sia opera di forze provenienti dagli spazi esterni.

Un altro scienziato, l'astrofisico australiano Robert Randall, che ha anche lavorato presso il poligono sperimentale missilistico di Woomera, ha pure lui dichiarato di ritenere che i crateri siano stati causati da un disco volante del peso di seicento tonnellate e del diametro di oltre cinquecinquanta metri, e suscettibile di avere un equipaggio di cinquanta uomini, il quale avrebbe compiuto un atterraggio forzato.

Secondo il dottor Randall le batterie solari di questo disco volante si sarebbero guastate e il disco sarebbe stato costretto ad atterrare per consentire all'equipaggio di fare le necessarie riparazioni.

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Unidentified Flying Objects Sighted Over British City

Bristol, England, July 30 (Reuters)—A mysterious object reportedly was seen glowing a fiery orange—high above this city late last night and again early today before disintegrating after about 10 minutes.

Later a similar glowing object was seen moving at a terrific speed upward over the Bristol Channel before disappearing, the reports added. On Sunday night two youths at nearby Long Ashton reported seeing a "flying saucer."

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Mr. Richard Hall,
N.I.C.A.P.,
1536 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.,
Washington 6, D.C.,
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Hall,

Thank you for your letter and I will certainly give you all the help I can. Unfortunately, I do not think I can be of much help.

You know how it is - you have the Radio on and are not paying much attention to it. It suddenly registered on my that the B.B.C.Announcer was saying something about unidentified flying objects and I rushed to turn up the volume but it was only a few sentences and was soon over.

The gist of how I remember what the Announcer said was that two unidentified flying objects had been seen by the metrological office - that they were not balloons or anything like but were certainly controlled aircraft of no known design. What impressed me was the B.B.C. do not give cute gossip and are very reliable and also the mention of the government metrological office which is also inclined to be rather staid and stuffy and not given to losing its head.

I listen at all the news broadcasts for the rest of the day but do not think it was repeated. From my recollection it was about a month to six weeks ago.

I do not think there is any chance of my getting a transcript of the broadcast but, as an organization, you might be able to get it and there is certainly no harm in trying.

Personally, if you could verify this it would be a terrific feather in your caps as I do think the B.B.C. are the most respected broadcasting organization in the world. In England, no one would think of doubting a B.B.C. broadcast.

Sorry cannot be of any more help but perhaps the little I have told you will assist you. I have been sending, at odd times, cuttings from local newspapers of sightings. There have been several in this District but, unfortunately I haven't seen anything.

Aloha Oe,

Jas. W. Cooper

Science & Mechanics

Feuer St. Gallen, Switzerland, came word of another mysterious sighting on August 13 and 14, 1963. Alfred Schelling, a businessman, addressed a letter two days later to "NASA, Pentagon, Washington, USA." His letter was routinely forwarded to Project Bluebook, since it concerned a UFO sighting. In it, Mr. Schelling asked for an explanation of what he thought was "some kind of missile or satellite" flying on two successive evenings.

"It was glowing and looked like a small fireball," he wrote. "Speed and height have been constantly the same and we wondered what this could be." The object was first observed in the evening (no time given) on August 13, as mentioned. A second observation showed the UFO to be identical with that of the first sighting: "The next evening, Wednesday 14th August, we waited and at *exactly* the same time as the evening before this glowing ball raised again *exactly* at the same point over the mountains and flew with *exactly* the same speed but slightly lower in the same direction (*the italics are mine—L. M.*). The sky was slightly clouded but this flying object did not disappear behind the clouds. We estimated the flying height at approximately 7,500 to 10,000 feet. After about four minutes it suddenly stopped glowing and we thought that it disappeared behind a cloud-bank first, but after observing exactly with binoculars we would see a dark-looking flying object and after about one minute we could see the glow again. After about 30 seconds, then, this small glow turned into a fairly big fireball —about five times as big as before. It glew (sic) for some seconds and suddenly fell apiece (sic) so that it looked as fireworks on festivals. The explosion took place at approximately 20:04 (8:04 p.m.), and we estimated that the glowing parts have fall to Earth in the area of Toggenburg (western part, County St. Gall). This flying object did not appear in the sky on Thursday (the next day) and we wonder whether you have some knowledge of a low-flying satellite. In case that you can give us some information we would thank you in advance because there is already some silly talk about flying saucers in our newspapers."

Naturally, the U.S. Air Force could not supply Mr. Schilling with information about "low-flying" satellites—for the simple reason that no satellite ever could fly at the altitudes he mentioned. Their velocity would have to be so great for them to stay in orbit at those low altitudes that atmospheric friction would almost immediately vaporize them.

But neither a missile nor (especially) a satellite would appear in *exactly* the same place in the sky at *exactly* the same time on two nights in a row. The satellite's westward drift (due to the Earth's easterly rotational direction) would effectively prevent this from happening. And a single missile once fired is expended. For two missiles to be launched with such precision that they each appear in exactly the same place at the same time on two separate evenings is all but impossible. Furthermore, fireballs, which are exploding meteors, might well resemble the second sighting by Mr. Schilling and his friends —but they certainly wouldn't behave in the specific way described by the Swiss businessman. No fireball, once it has entered the atmosphere and streaked across the sky, can return for a second exhibition 24 hours later. Nor does a fireball extinguish itself to darkness and then glow brightly again just before it explodes.

What was the object seen in Switzerland? Nobody knows. In the Project Bluebook files, it is listed tersely as "*Unidentified.*"

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SOMETHING MORE ABOUT THE FLYING SAUCER SEEN IN THE DEPARTMENT OF UNION.

Last night the head of General Inspection of Political Headquarters received a more ample account of the news that was originally sent about the strange experience of the lorry driver Eugenio Douglas, who, as we have informed previously, when driving his vehicle in the outskirts of Monte Maíz, was attacked by the occupants of an extraordinary circular vehicle and injured in different parts of his body by red lights that they directed on the frightened lorry driver. The amplification now is to confirm the story of the chauffeur referred to, which by its fantastic setting, would appear to be the result of some hallucination.

In accordance with the information only now transmitted, on the 18th. inst., Mateo Manocchio, businessman of the district, presented himself to the police at Monte Maíz. According to what he stated, around 3.30 a.m. when he was driving his automobile on the main road that joins the above mentioned town with Isla Verde, upon arriving level with a railway crossing which exists at the entrance to the town, he observed a strange individual, who kneeling on the railway tracks, had his face covered by a cloth and one of his hands held high, waving a revolver. At the same time the street lighting commenced to turn to a brilliant red and thereupon he decided to retire quickly from the vecinity. That also accounts for the fact that Manocchio did not report to the police as he felt unwell, after the strange experience he had been through. As can be appreciated, the declaration made by the businessman confirms the assertions of Douglas, which we have dealt with fully in a previous edition.

CORDOBA, October 1963.

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ON OCT. 18, 1963

A MAN WHO HAD BECOME TEMPORARILY DERANGED, HAS NOW RATIFIED THE STORY OF THE CHAUFFEUR FROM THE TOWN OF CORDOBA (ARGENTINA) WHO WAS BURNT BY STRANGE BEINGS.

CORDOBA - A man by the name of Mateo Mecchio, from this zone, yesterday presented himself to the police authorities of Monte Maíz and gave a declaration to the effect that on the 18th. of October 1963, at daybreak, as he was driving he noticed that a street lamp changed to a bright red and also that he saw a man kneeling on the main road whose face was covered by something and he appeared to be raising a revolver in his right hand. As we previously informed, the same day and time mentioned above, a lorry driver who was coming along the road, and whose name was Eugenio Douglas, presented himself at the above police station, saying he had been accosted by strange beings of great height, with bright helmets on their heads, who directed on to him torches or similar objects with a strong red light, which left him with strange burns on his eyes and different parts of his body. Douglas added that he thought the strange beings were driving a circular vehicle of rare appearance and great luminosity. Returning to Mecchio, when asked in the police station the reason for his delay in declaring what he had seen, he claimed that he had remained mentally numb and without sufficient will power to come forward, on account of the effects of the afore mentioned mysterious powerful light emitted by the street lighting.

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Taken from newspaper "La Razón", Buenos Aires, Arg., under date of Oct. 22, 1963.

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BELGRANO [illegible]

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[illegible] THE VISIT OF VON BRAUN, FLYING SAUCERS [illegible], [illegible] IN SQUADRON. THEY WERE SIX IN TOTAL.

[illegible] IN THE DISTRICT OF [illegible], IN TUCUMAN PROVINCE, ARGENTINA.

It seems that a "squadron" of flying saucers has made its appearance in the vicinity of [illegible], an [illegible] District of the Province of Tucumán, according to the story that was told [illegible] a family from the district - living relatively isolated - to the correspondent of the newspaper CLARIN in this province; six luminous space objects, of which [illegible] than 100 metres of the house. The happening, which caused a state of nervous [illegible] of terror among the members of the [illegible] family, [illegible] with the oft-repeated story of the "unidentified flying objects" which the population of various regions of [illegible] as having seen recently.

[illegible] ......

OCT. 21, 1963

SAN MIGUEL DE TUCUMAN, [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] story, one of the [illegible] families from [illegible] that last night they were visited by [illegible] luminous space objects, which they described as flying saucers. [illegible] the story as told by the family - one of [illegible] [illegible] 30 minutes, [illegible] in the air [illegible] close to the ground [illegible] the "squadron" disappeared in the direction of [illegible], illuminating the fields with an intense light. All this was told to our correspondent [illegible], with the lingering anguish of the [illegible] caused by these unexpected visitors and [illegible] in the presence of a [illegible] absolute truth.

The faces of all the members of the family, including that of a child [illegible] years of age, who [illegible] the [illegible] in the house, and who was the first witness of this unusual episode, still showed the signs of [illegible] caused by [illegible] sight.

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Thereby adding greatly [illegible] circulating in newspapers [illegible] about the appearance of flying saucers in the province of Chaco. The news got out [illegible] a message sent by the Gallup telegraph to relatives of the neighbors of the [illegible] Chaco. An inquiry to be sending [illegible] this city. One of them is a [illegible] of Torres [illegible] of the province. The [illegible] message indicated that of the occurrence of what they referred to as the "Chaco Incident". In this District, and especially in the part of the territory in which the house mentioned is located, there are [illegible] of rapid communication.

After a run of 90 kilometers over the Panamerican route, we arrived at the locality of Charata, and from there we covered four kilometers more to the place indicated. We found the house inhabited by the Moreno family in the middle of a huge open expanse. There is no other dwelling within a radius of ten kilometers.

Immediately the cordial hospitality of Antonio Moreno, 72 years of age, [illegible] and invited us to enter his home. We informed him of the object of our visit, which had already been guessed by the owner of the house before we alighted from our vehicle. Afterwards we were introduced to the relatives of the house, Mrs. Carmen Galvan de Moreno, 63 years of age; to Mrs. Haidt de Moreno, 30 years of age; Agustina Moreno de Chaves, 28 years and Julia Moreno de Colletti, 21. The family group was completed by three small children.

Upon trying to start the dialogue, various persons [illegible] simultaneously about the upsetting occurrence.

Oct. 21, 1963
9:30 - P.M.

In this way we learned that around 21.30 the previous night, when the family was preparing for the night's rest, Don Martin Moreno, 17 years of age, who does domestic service in the house, announced that it would seem as though there had been a railway accident at some hundreds of meters from there as the surrounding country was all bushes.

Then the story continued to increase in strength, while the girls [illegible] the main theme of inevitable emotion.

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The most calm was Mrs. Ramona de Moreno, who stated that later the two brilliant apparitions directed two parallel beams of intense light, which lit up the house. They were two beams of a light that appeared to be solid, with a defined shape that did not stray. She then said: "It was like a luminous tube". They were all frightened.

It was in this way that the family was able to see a flying saucer at only 30 metres distance. This impending ended up by frying the nerves of all those present, forcing them to seek refuge in the house.

One of them said: "The first thing we did was to hide our children". The atmosphere of the place - they added - became heavy and hot, and a penetrating odour, something like sulfur, filled the place. The object threw one light of a brilliant white and another of an intense red to violet. The other vehicles kept their distance, six of them in total, and emitted the same lights.

The strangest thing about all this, they told us, "is something of which we only became completely aware later, when we had regained sufficient courage to comment on the episode, and that is that our three dogs did not bark but remained perfectly still, as also several horses of hers." They afterwards added that "when the flying saucers left, the dogs did not look but on the other hand looked for the space of several minutes".

Everyone was agreed in that the object that was near to the house measured approximately 8 metres diameter and had six windows. These were counted by Mrs. Ramona de Moreno who looked attentively at the flying saucer from a window. They also said that the object appeared to be suspended by something similar to a jet of gas.

"This should be investigated. It is very strange", said Mrs. Chaves, who was worried and "was afraid that they could return tonight".

Continuing the story they said that, after four minutes, the "flying saucers withdrew towards the neighboring hills, leaving behind them a thick fog of something like smoke which remained on Mr. Gallegos for several minutes.

They also said that the flying saucers rose and by and, leaving the cabs illuminated and increasing the intensity of the ship's light.

FOTOS.

Thrilly this is the flight of the flying saucers constructed by some air station mechanic of Los Richards, reconstructed from the original of the year 1910, which is still to be seen in the Science Museum of Tennessee.

From 1910 until the many years have elapsed, the contours have changed .... but the anxiety of the searcher and their original reconstruction do not change. The above is an experimental model built by the U. S. Military Aviation.

This an article appearing in newspaper CLARIN, Buenos Aires, October 23rd. 1963.

ANOTHER FLYING SAUCER. ON NOV. 15, 1963

Several newspapermen and many persons assure us that they have seenn a flying object in Mar del Plata, which as always, emitted white and bluish lights, and circled over the Atlantic city during fifteen minutes. It was faster than any known airplane.

MAR DEL PLATA. (From our agency). - Upon the cry of "a flying saucer" hundreds of inhabitants of the sea-side resort at dawn yesterday - NOV. 15, 1963 rushed to their balconies and to open spaces to see the rapid motion of an object of the shape of a cigar or spindle, which flashed an intermittent light, at times white and at others of a bluish tone, which circled over the city for fifteen minutes.

The phenomenon was visible between 6.30 and 6.45. The mysterious object remained almost all the time suspended in the air, balancing lightly, and afterwards took off at a very high speed in a northerly direction and disappeared in a few seconds. The machine - which by the way it manoeuvred, cannot be thought of as a celestial phenomenon - appeared in the west sector of the city, at about thirty degrees above the horizon.

Among the witnesses of the movements of the apparatus we have Horacio Tarifeño, chief of information service of Radio LU9 of Mar del Plata, who personally proved the existence of the object from the roof of the building occupied by the radio station, after having received numerous telephone calls regarding its presence.

A similar situation was created in LU6 Radio Atlántica. When Juan Carlos Villagra Vidal was due to take over the news service, he perceived on the horizon, through the windows, a light that was different to that of airplanes. According to his testimony, the flying object sent forth phosphorescent rays of varied colors. After remaining for a long time completely still, the object started at a racing speed, and was rapidly lost in the distance.

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The phenomenon was also observed from the metereological station, whose authorities refused to make comments. The eye witnesses could not state precisely the altitude and speed of the machine, but agreed that at the time of the rapid start, its getaway was certainly faster than any known airplane.

Notwithstanding the fact that 1963 has been a "bad year" as regards the number of apparitions of flying saucers in Argentina, it is the third time since the 1st. of January of this year that flying saucers - or unidentified flying objects - have flown over Mar del Plata. The two previous cases were on the 26th. and 27th. January. In the first instance, four white arrow shaped points, with the right end longer, crossed the sky at tremendous velocity, from north-northeast to south-southeast, at a considerable height. On the second date, it was a single luminous point, at a great altitude and moving slowly, of a white luminosity, which was also observed from the agency of the newspaper EL MUNDO.

It remains to be pointed out that when yesterday's phenomenon appeared, there was no airplane in flight within the neighbourhood, and the long time the light remained immobile, as if hung from the sky, obviates any kind of confusion with a meteorological balloon or artificial satellite. Purely as a coincidence it can be pointed out that within a few hours after observing the phenomenon, several ships which had participated in the operation "Yacaré" in Golfo Nuevo put into the Naval Base in Mar del Plata.

December 5, 1963--Nr. Carrasco, Uruguay. An oval UFO, metallic-looking like aluminum, was observed hovering in the clear morning sky by hundreds at a resort. One description said the object "balanced gently in the air."

From the newspaper "El Mundo" of
November 16th. 1963.
Buenos Aires, Argentina.

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FLYING SAUCERS.

SAN PABLO.- The daily newspaper "Folha de Sao Paulo" informs that in the city of Campinas, about 150 km from San Pablo, "strange objects" were seen flying perpendicularly over Miguel Vicente Curi Bridge. According to declarations of numerous witnesses, they were in the form of luminous spheres circled with bluish rings moving suddenly at great speed or remaining stationary in the sky.

From the newspaper "El Siglo",
January 10th. 1964.
Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Irish Pilot Sees Flying Object

An unidentified flying object was reported yesterday by a pilot for Irish International Airlines, the company's office here reported.

The pilot, Capt. G. Pendleton, was in command of a Viscount flight from Cork to Brussels when he saw the object about 35 miles southeast of Bristol in the late afternoon. He was at 17,000 feet. The object, which he thought at first was a balloon, was 3,000 feet below him.

As it passed he said, it appeared to be a large orb with irregular antenna-like protrusions. His co-pilot also saw it, but said nothing to the two hostesses or the 60 passengers.

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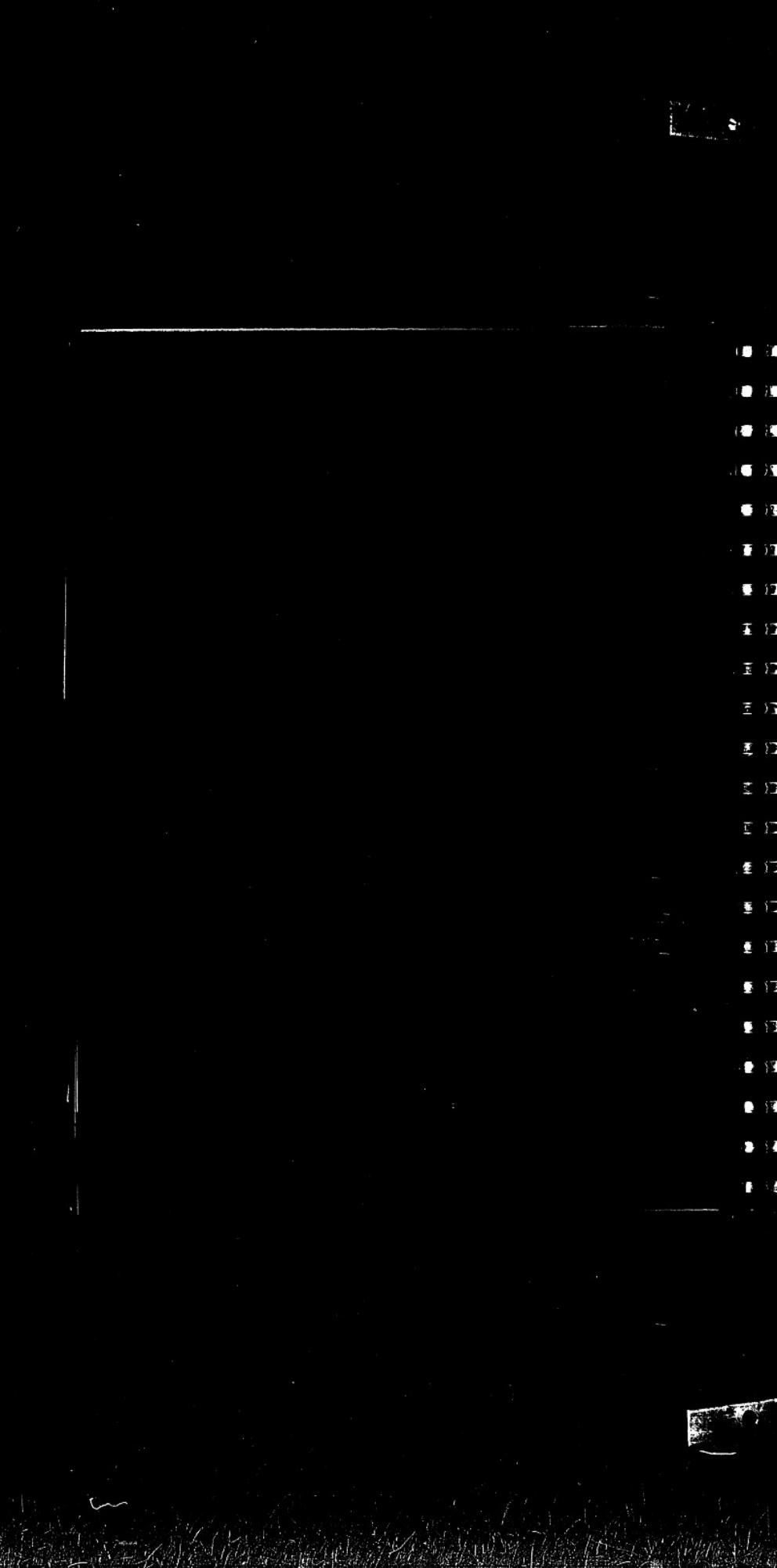


Daily News, Fri., Aug. 7, 1964 page 4
" UFO Is Identified "

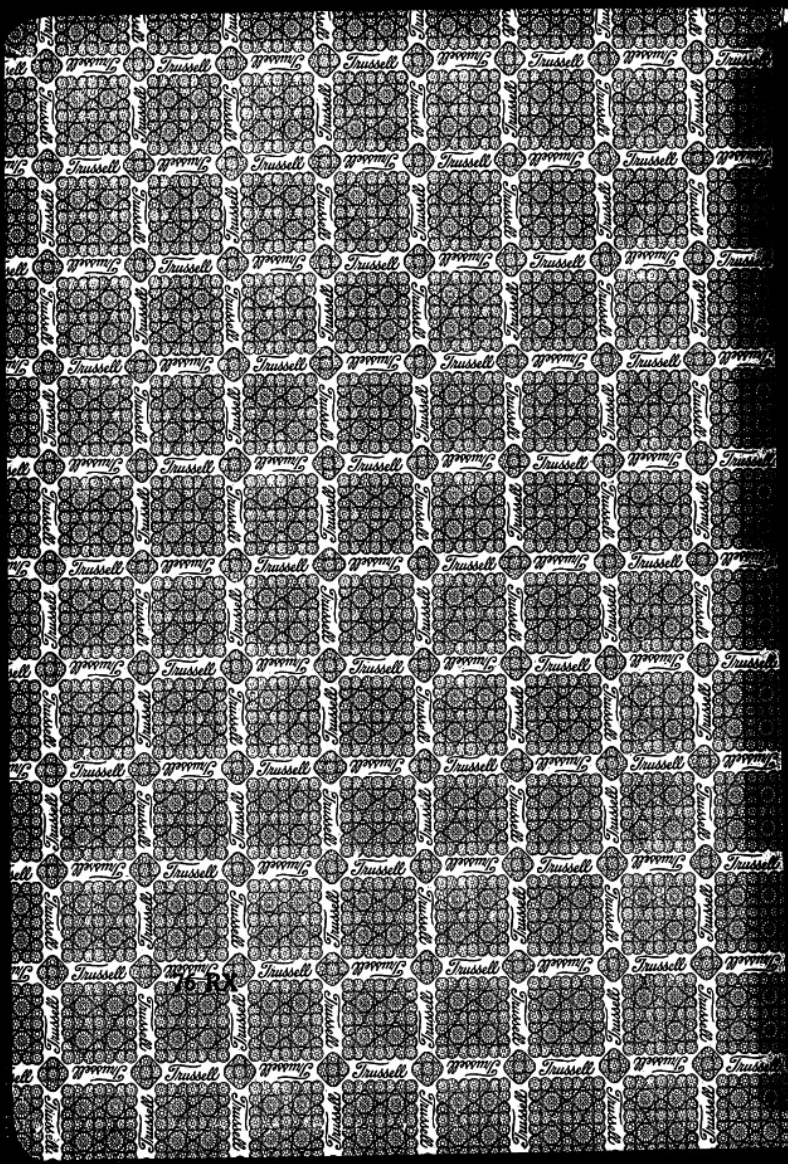
CARACAS,, (sic) Venezuela, Aug. 6 (UPI)--A "strange object" which fell near a remote Venezuelan village last month has been identified as a U.S. satellite, it was reported today. Two U.S. Army officers who went to the Colombian border village of La Fria Tuesday identified the 175-pound object as American.

AUTHENTIC REPORTS OF FLYING SAUCERS IN THE SKIES OF ARGENTINA, 1964 - C.O.D.O.V.N.I.

November 10 - Mansilla (Entre Rios)--Two settlers had a strange experience near Mansilla, while they were traveling toward Victoria, on the highway, in a truck driven by Nestor Reynoso, who was accompanied by Orlando Morisini.

According to the statements they gave to the police, as they were approaching the Cle arroyo they noticed, descending from a certain height an object of great luminosity, which came toward the truck in rapid flight. (Impressed) by the flashing light given off by the object, they turned off the lights of the truck, noticing that the strange object now moved away, still at great speed. As they were about to resume their trip and turn the lights on again, the object again came toward them, whirling and giving off flashes of blue-white light which (enceguecian) . (En una oportunidad, senalaron, the strange object descended to about 40 metres from the truck, at two meters above the ground. Its extraordinary brightness prevented them, they said, from seeing its exact shape.

Having recovered from their (fright), the truckmen succeeded in starting the truck on its way again, and with the lights out came toward Mansilla; during the trip the machine made several passes over them (around them ?) and then disappeared.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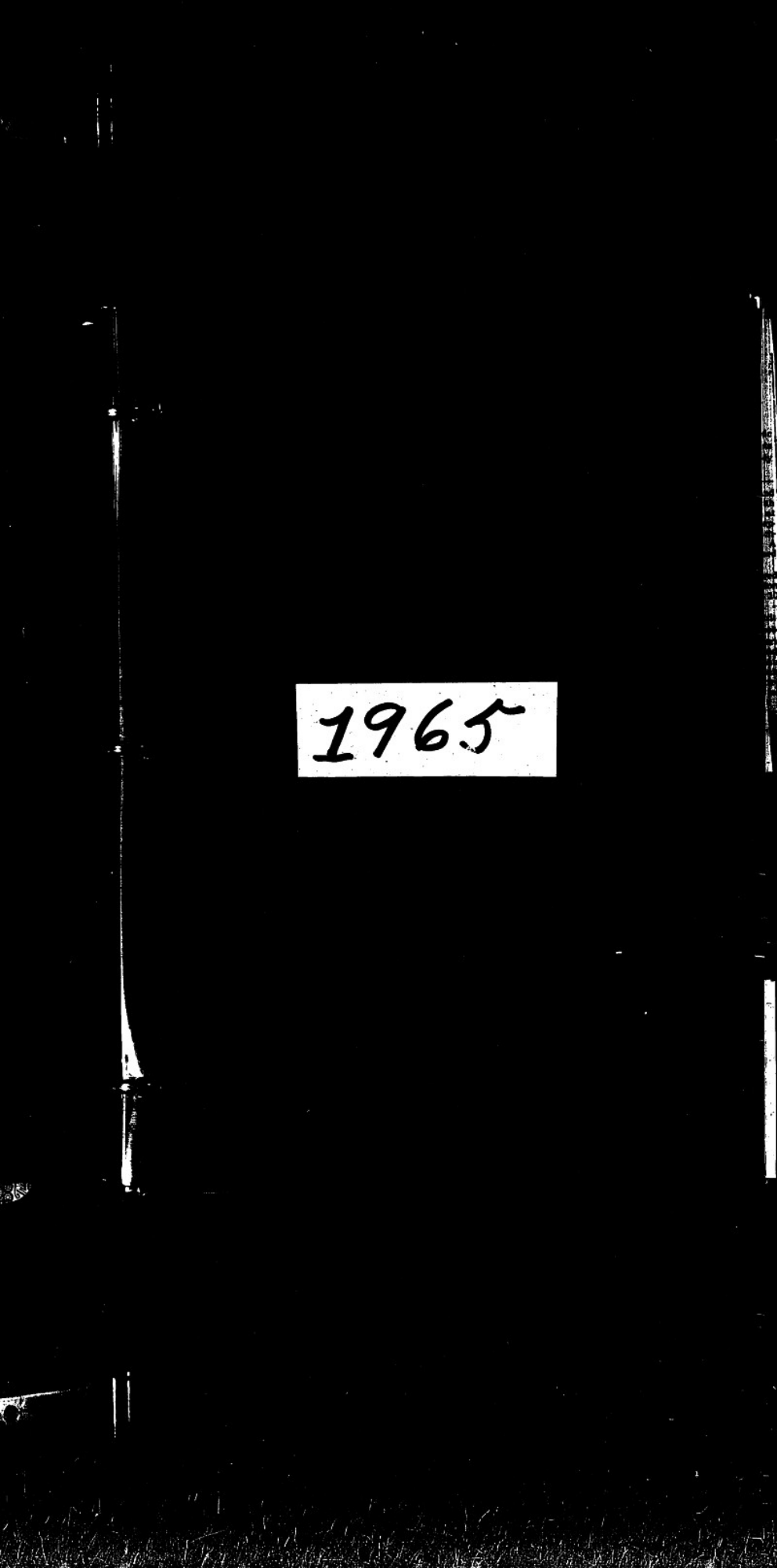
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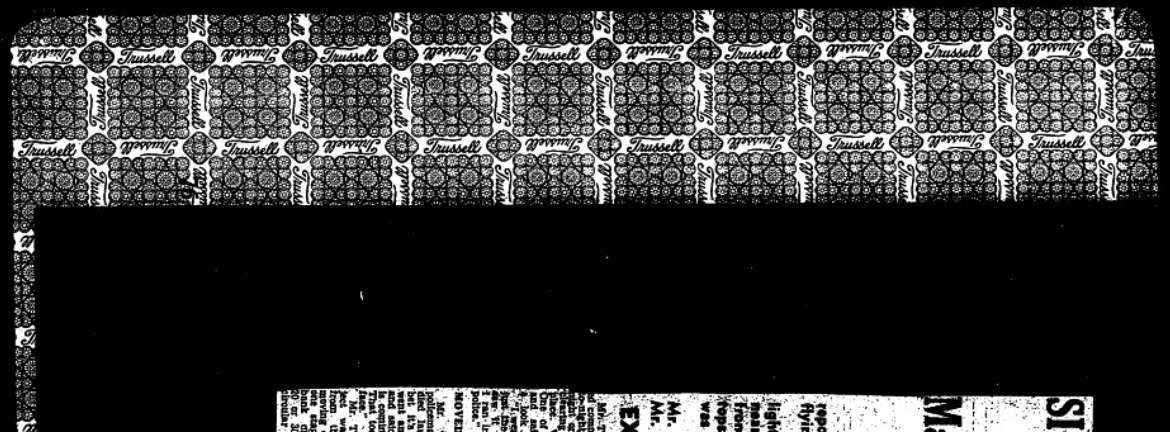

SIGHTING OF MYSTERY FLYING OBJECT

Mackay Police Investigate Three Men's Report

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MACKAY, May 26.—Police are investigating a reported sighting by three men near here of a mystery flying object with spotlights above a circular platform.

The circular shaped object, said to have some 30 lights on it, was alleged by the three men to have landed near the Retreat Hotel on the Eton Range, about 50 miles from Mackay, on Sunday night. It was claimed that treetops and a section of grass had been scorched yet there was no evidence of an ordinary fire.

The three men who said they saw the object are Mr. J. W. Tiles, licensee of the hotel, Mr. J. Burgess and Mr. E. Judin, who were staying at the hotel.

EXPERIENCED COMMERCIAL PILOT

Mr. Tiles is an experienced commercial pilot. He said last night: "It was about midnight on Sunday and I was returning to bed through the grounds. Mrs. Tiles and Mr. Burgess were all asleep. One of the latter's legs is bad and, said 'come and have a look at this.'

"I went out and said, 'It's just the moon.' But when I saw it moving toward us, I ran inside and called the police."

MOVED TOWARD HOTEL

Mr. Tiles added: "The policeman at Mackay nearly died laughing and said, 'I bet it's still not there.' I went and had another look and said, 'Yes, it is and it is coming toward the hotel.' That took the smile off his face."

Mr. Tiles said: "The object was about 300 yards from the hotel and was moving over the treetops at one stage. It had a great mass of spotlights, about 30 or 35 of them, above a circular platform."

"GET THE RIFLE"

Mr. Tiles continued: "When it was rushing backward an somebody said, 'Get the rifle and shoot it.' but I said 'No bullet may affect them, look.'"

The licensee said he and the others then went backwards and inspected the area for signs of a landing. When it took off and flew away they saw 3 and three lights.

"I saw it. We all saw it. It disappeared in a northeasterly direction," said Mr. Tiles. He declared that the object was not an aircraft and he was sure of that.

Mr. Judin confirmed Mr. Tiles's story in detail. He said: "I have never seen anything like it . . . those lights . . . and those legs."

Mr. Tiles had taken several photographs of marks made by the object. He showed a circular scorch mark about 20 feet across and reported the matter to the police and the Civil Aviation Department. The three men also made a sketch of the object and signed it.

The Regional Director of Civil Aviation (Mr. Spencer) said in Brisbane tonight that so far he had not received a report on the sighting.

"But if Mr. Tiles says he has seen something like I believe him, as he is an experienced pilot," he said. The sighting would probably be investigated by the air force, as were other sightings.

Saucer' Chases 2 Japanese Airliners

HIROSHIMA, Japan (UPI)— Three Japanese airline pilots reported flying eight that they were chased by a flying saucer while they were en flight between Hiroshima and Osaka.

The first to report seeing the so-called flying saucer was Yasuaki Itoh, pilot of the domestic Toa Airlines, as he was flying his plane, with 40 passengers aboard over Himeji, near Osaka, [illegible] of Japan.

A six-person official investigation team is expected [illegible] Himeji. I was flying at about 6,000 feet. The object [illegible] and then followed along my left wing for about 10 miles until we reached Matsuyama in Shikoku.

He said the object emitted a golden colored light and was [illegible] by [illegible] of [illegible] and his radio [illegible] said he tried to contact the [illegible] but was unsuccessful.

His co-pilot, Toru Tsuchiya, tried to contact the Matsuyama [illegible] leave no doubt in the minds of [illegible] object. When trying to do so he heard the [illegible] radio from the pilot of a Tokyo Airlines [illegible] along the north coast of Ha[illegible] between [illegible].

Itoh, a pilot of 38 years with more than 9000 hours flying, said it was the first time he had ever seen such an object.

Pacific STARS & STRIPES Sunday, Mar. 21, 1965

"The Sunday Mail Brisbane 14 Sept."

MAY 10, 1965

They're not moving off saucer story

SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE

MACKAY. — The reported sighting of a flying-saucer-like object in the Mackay hinterland last Sunday night remains a mystery as deep as the conviction of the men who say they saw it.

DIFFERED ON UFO'S SIZE

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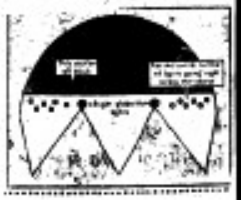
"I STILL SAY I SAW IT"

STATEMENT TO NEAD POLICE



THE NEW YORK TIMES, SUNDAY, JULY 18, 1965.

CAIRO CRASH IS LAID TO AIR 'PHENOMENON'

CAIRO, July 17 (UPI)—Official investigators reported that a mysterious "object" caused the crash of a Middle East Airlines Caravelle jetliner that killed 30 persons and injured 49 others.

The Soviet TASS agency said the plane was trying to land at Cairo Airport on the Mediterranean coast when it suddenly dropped out of the sky.

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(Herald, January 30,) UFO INVESTIGATOR

UFO Photos By Airline Captain Reported

Bulletin: The following preliminary report, forwarded to NICAP by an officer of the Ufological Investigators Research Organization, Harris Queensland, Australia, was received just before our deadline. We are trying to get further details for the next issue.

Five nights after the landing described on page 1, an Australian DC-3 airliner was "buzzed" by an unidentified flying object. According to the pilot's source stated above, the airline captain photographed a round-shaped machine while it passed the aircraft.

This latest UFO encounter, in the early hours of May 10, 1965, involved a DC-3 operated by private U.S.A. It was on a regular flight from Brisbane to Port Moresby, New Guinea.

At about 3:25 a.m., the airliner (KB305, using the RAAF call sign of "VH-EBU", radioed a Queensland airport control tower that the DC-3 was being "buzzed" by an unknown flying object. He described it as spherical, 30 meters, flat on the top and bottom. Exhaust flame could however emerge from it, he reported.

For ten minutes, the UFO paced the airliner, during which time the captain took several photographs of the object's craft. He also had two other members of the crew confirm the sighting, before the object raced ahead of the aircraft and disappeared.

UFO INVESTIGATOR, N. Y. June-July, 1965

INCREASED LANDINGS HINT NEW UFO PHASE

On the night of May 10, 1965, a disc-shaped machine with a beam of intelligent lights landed in Australia, remaining on the ground for about 15 minutes. The report, made by a veteran airline pilot and other competent observers, has been accepted by the Regional Director of Civil Aviation in Brisbane. (Details below.)

If the steady increase in landings is any sign, the UFOs have begun a new phase of operations. In the first five months of 1965, there have been six verified landings, compared with four for all of last year. Close-range observations of inhabitants also have increased, especially low-altitude approaches to cars and other buildings. It is possible that whatever controls the UFOs may be planning an attempt at communication.

The Australian report was confirmed in an on-the-spot check by NICAP Investigator Paul Norman, an American engineer now residing in Australia. The following details include a personal report secured by Mr. Norman from the chief witness, Mr. A.W. Tiles, holder of a senior commercial pilot's license. Mrs. Norris is an Trans-Australia Airlines and two years with Queensland Airlines, with a total of 11,000 flying hours.

It was just after midnight on May 10 when a bright glowing object was sighted from the Isolator Retreat Hotel, which is located on the Blue Range, 42 miles from Mackay. Tiles and two guests at the hotel — Mr. Eric Jacks and Mr. John Burgess — watched the strange machine approach.

"It was about 300 yards from the hotel, moving over the treetops," stated pilot Tiles. "It had a basis of spotlights, 20 or 30 of them, below a circular platform. It was solid, metallic looking, thirty feet or more in diameter."

Mr. Tiles' witnesses were frightened, as they have identified. Burgess, an Army veteran of World War II, wanted to get a rifle and shoot at the UFO, but Tiles stopped him.

"They might shoot back at us," he told Burgess.

As the machine settled on the sparsely timbered ridge, 15 minutes after the event, the intense glow of the lights diminished. But it was still too bright to tell whether the glow came from inside, through ports, or from lights encircling the craft.

For 20 minutes or more, the three men watched the unknown machine, without trying to get closer. Whether it actually touched the ground, or was however a few inches above it, they could not tell because of the glare. For the same reason, they could not be sure of its shape. It was under observation for about 15 minutes.

Finally, the machine lifted, rising slowly to some 300 feet, but it did, the men saw its massive triangular landing gear, which for glare had concealed. Each of the three "legs" had a bright, pulsating light. But after a few moments these lights and the legs were no longer visible — probably because the gear had been retracted.

As the UFO reached 300 feet, it accelerated rapidly, but no exhaust, no trails could be seen. In a few seconds, the machine disappeared on a northeast course.

"I had always scoffed at these reports," Tiles said afterward. "But I saw it. We all saw it. It was under intelligent control, and it was certainly not known aircraft."

Burgess and Jacks both corroborated Tiles's account.

The next day, Tiles photographed 3 circular depressions on the ground where the UFO landed or hovered. An inspection by local police and NICAP investigator Norman, it was a puzzling circle — a ring three feet two inches thick, its inside diameter 20 feet.

In addition, several treetops were scorched where the UFO had closely passed. This was confirmed by Constable B. Bell, Bobs Fokes, and by Tiles and Burgess.

The evidence and the reports are being evaluated by the Royal Australian Air Force.

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A Magnet for Martians

Around Field Where Farmer Witnessed 'Landing' French Saucer Specialist Discerns a Pattern

By Waverley Root

PARIS — The season for seeing flying saucers has opened again (they replace oysters when there is no R in the month). It would no doubt have been received with equanimity in this country as usual if the report of a landing in France of an unidentified flying object had not been followed so closely by other reports from Antarctica. There sightings of strange objects in the air were reported by scientific missions that should be better equipped than most to tell a Martian from a meteor.

One person whose equanimity would have been severely ruffled with or without the Antarctic reports was Maurice Masse, 42, a farmer who reported the landing of

Duchene's map of spaceship landings in France.

a mysterious engine in one of his lavender fields at Valensole, Basses-Alpes.

"If I ever see anything like that again," Masse is reported to have said bitterly a few days later, "I will keep my mouth shut."

His lavender has been tramped into the ground, a dead loss, by curious crowds, and while evidence is conflicting about a depression alleged to have been created by the craft at the point where it touched down, there is certainly a depression there now, or maybe a quarry would be a better word.

Souvenir hunters have dug a large hole in Masse's field and have carted chunks of it away, at the risk of catching some interstellar disease. Masse himself has been so pestered by people who want to hear about the three-foot-high humanoid figure he saw emerge from the craft that he has gone into a slight nervous depression, and to top it all, there are persons who have wondered unkindly if his nervous condition started after he saw the mysterious object, or before.

WHATEVER he saw, Masse has drawn a sketch of it. It might be, as some think, that the object was an experimental vertical landing plane now being tested, but one feature of the drawing doesn't fit any of the known examples of these craft. That is a sort of central pillar on which it seems to be resting. Maybe it landed in front of a small tree or a large fence post.

Prepared not to be skeptical is J. L. Duchene, a member of the G.E.P.A., which stands for Groupement d'Etudes de Phenomenes Aeriens, or Group for the Study of Aerial Phenomena. There are about 50 members of this organization, whose hobby is collecting testimony on the sighting of unidentified flying objects. Its president is Air Force Gen. Lionel Chassin, who came into momentary prominence during the Algerian Revolution when he founded an extreme Right organization to keep Algeria French. The movement dissolved in some confusion not long afterward, to the apparent bewilderment of Gen. Chassin.

Duchene has plotted the positions of all reported landings of mysterious craft from the sky on a map of France, and has made certain deductions from the result.

It is clear, he says, that these landings are not haphazard. He points out that all the landing spots fall on the circumferences of circles drawn concentrically about the village of Morlac, with never less than two on each circle; that certain series of dots lie on straight lines; and that there is no landing point which is not at an equal distance from at least two other points. The inference is clear: a pattern is discernible, and where a pattern has been established, one may suspect an intelligence at work.

Convincing?

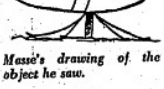
Well, not quite.

THE READER is invited to distribute the same number of points as are plotted on Duchene's map of France at random over the map of any other country, plant the needle of a compass at its center, and proceed to draw circles—at conveniently uneven distances from each other, like Duchene's — through the dots. The chances are excellent that he can get most of them threaded, two or more per circle, on the circumferences. Some of them are sure to lie along straight lines. And given enough dots, in almost every case, two others can be found more or less equidistant from it—especially if you use a nice small-scale map and good-sized dots.

INDEED, EVEN Duchene's map seems to have possibilities he has failed to exploit. For instance, if he had added another circle between the present second and third, counting from the outside, he would have combined another five dots, at present lonely. And he could have drawn another straight line through four dots just parallel to his lowest line.

And if he had used a map of the United States it would have been more practical, because of its form, to draw ovals instead of circles through the dots, which would prove that beings from outer space visiting the United States are smarter than those which visit France—they deal with more sophisticated geometrical figures.

It must be admitted that Duchene's thinking becomes a little ingenuous when he explains the fact that in some cases dots are missing from his design where, on his theory, they ought to be. This he says, is because the landings made at these points were not observed. You don't have to be a student of logic to suspect that in this case Duchene is working backward from the



Masse's drawing of the object he saw.

result he wants to reach to the phenomena which he then interprets as pointing to that result instead of letting the phenomena do their own pointing.

BUT LET US AGREE that the pattern of reported landings does point, as Duchene thinks, to a systematic investigation of France. How is it being carried out? Perhaps, he suggests, by planting at the landing points, systematically distributed over the territory, small radio transmitters hidden, say, inside stones, objects which no one would suspect of having such a mission. True, no such stones have yet been detected, nor any of the waves they should be emitting either, but as Duchene would be the first to admit, this doesn't prove that they don't exist.

Personally, I am prepared to admit Duchene's theory that extraterrestrial creatures are making a systematic exploration of France as soon as he explains one other minor point: How did they discover that the territory of France constitutes a political entity?

Short Cut Opens To Mexican Gulf

A highway shortcut has been opened between the Inter-American Highway and the Gulf Circuit Route from the Mexican mainland to the Yucatan Peninsula. Passable in all weather, the new road goes north from a point near Tuxtla Gutierrez, capital of Chiapas, to Villahermosa, capital of Tabasco.

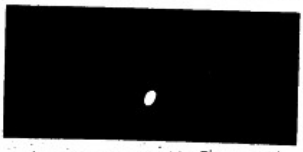
Before the new road opened, travelers who wanted to visit the highlands of the Chamula and Zinacantec tribes and the Mayan lands to the northeast had to backtrack to the Tehuantepec Isthmus Highway before reaching the Gulf Circuit.

Hotel facilities along the new route also have been greatly expanded and improved, the American Automobile Association reports.

"Object" Astronaut Sighted Still Unidentified

The "object with big arms" seen by Astronaut James McDivitt from the Gemini spacecraft, on June 4, still is not definitely identified.

(One of the movie frames, released a week later, shows an oval-shaped object with a faint "tail" of light and a fan-like, triangular glow.)



Shortly after the first reports on the evening of June 4, Walter Cronkite of CBS broadcast this statement:

"The mystery may have been cleared up. . . it was disclosed that our Pegasus satellite, which looks like it has arms, was flying over the U.S. where McDivitt says he saw the object."

The same explanation was broadcast on other networks. But the Pegasus answer was quickly dropped, after "fixes" by the space detection and tracking system showed Gemini 4 and Pegasus to be 1200 miles apart at the time of the sighting. Also, it was revealed that McDivitt had seen the object over Hawaii, not the United States.

But within 24 hours the Air Defense Command publicly reversed the original tracking report. The first fixes, it said, were "imprecise." Instead of being 1200 miles distant, Pegasus was so close it could easily be the McDivitt "object"—which the astronaut had estimated 10-12 miles away.

Before this, our space detection and satellite tracking system had been declared so accurate that the exact positions of all earth-launched satellites could be determined at any time.

The Pegasus explanation may be true. But if so, one question remains unanswered.

How did our expert trackers make such a huge blunder? "Imprecise" is hardly the word for a 1200-mile mistake.

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June '65 'MONSTER CATS' EYES'

● A village vicar and his family, plus a hospital physiotherapist, reported in vivid fashion "A flowing cigar-shaped thing that hovered motionless in the southern sky over Warminster, having a black circular patch or aperture at the bottom."

● Seventeen young people either swimming or fishing on the Marquis of Bath's giant lake of Shearwater, near Warminster, on that same June night, saw "a large red ball, like a blood orange."

Frenchman Sees 'Flying Object'

By Waverley Root
Washington Post Foreign Service

PARIS—An unidentified flying object landed at dawn Thursday on the plateau of Valensole, in the southeastern department of the Basses-Alpes, put one passenger on ground, but scooped him up and took off again when discovered.

Anyway, that's what farmer Maurice Masse, 41, the sole witness, says.

On the basis of Masse's description to the local gendarmerie, Masse apparently thought that's what it was, at first.

Then he saw it wasn't a helicopter. When reporters caught up with him today, he corrected the gendarmes' earlier report of his testimony. The corroborated version is like this:

Six Crutch-Like Legs

The flying object was the size of an automobile, shaped something like a rugby ball, supported on six crutch-like legs and a central pivot. A [illegible] Masse was 60 or 70 yards from the object — far enough to account for error in judging the height of the picture he saw.

As he approached, the figure on the ground scuttled back into the object, and it took off obliquely with a whistling sound.

Masse insisted that the object had no rotor and "looked like a spider." On the basis of this description, it is being suggested that what Masse saw was an improved version of the Coleoptere, a vertical landing plane with which the French army is believed to have been experimenting in deep secrecy for several years. Coleoptere means beetle, and the craft, which lands on thin spidery-like legs, does look something like an insect.

Military Authorities Silent

There may be some discrepancy, since the gendarmes reported that the ground where Masse said the object landed had been scooped out in a shallow depression for four cross-shaped prints and a central hole. The gendarmes said Masse had earlier reported four crutch-like legs instead of six.

But it may well have been the Coleoptere. The army had been reported having difficulty with the craft, but if this is what Masse saw, success might seem to be closer.

This explanation seems strengthened by the military authorities' refusal to comment. If no military craft had made a landing in Masse's lavender field, it would seem reasonable that the army should say so. The fact that it refuses to talk is therefore being interpreted as evidence that Masse did see some secret military plane, which took off hurriedly at his approach because of the hush-hush nature of the craft.

08 Monday, July 5, 1965 THE WASHINGTON POST

Flying Saucer in France?

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SPRINGFIELD (MASS.) LEADER-PRESS

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Flying Saucer Is Reported By Frenchman

Allentown (Pa.) Morning Chronicle Saturday, July 3, 1965

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Saginaw, Michigan, Saturday, July 3, 1965

With It: Small, Human Form

Saucer Revival

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French Farmer Sees A Flying Rugby Ball

By The Associated Press

VALENSOLE, France.

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Journal, PENSACOLA, FLORIDA, FRIDAY MORNING, JULY 9, 1965

Pictures Were Taken

Brilliant 'Saucer' Seen Hovering at Antarctic

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) — From the antarctic Thursday came official reports that a mysterious lens-shaped flying object, maneuvering and moving at great speed, was sighted last Saturday. on 7/3

A Chilean base commander in the antarctic reported the object was "yellowish red, changing to green, yellow and orange."

In Buenos Aires, the navy issued a communique saying personnel at Argentina's antarctic base saw the flying object and photographed it.

Mario Jahn Barbera, commander of the Chilean base, told the defense ministry by radio that it would be too much to say that "all of us saw a flying saucer, one of these science-fiction things."

"However," he continued, "it was something real, an object that moved at amazing speed, maneuvered quickly and gave off a blue-green sheen. It also caused interference in the electromagentic apparatus of an Argentine base which is facing ours on a nearby small island."

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Allentown (Pa.) Morning Call 7, 1965

18 The Spokesman-Review, Thursday, July 8, 1965.

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Both other bases confirmed the color and the maneuvers.

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Scientists and defense ministry experts, while accepting the evidence, are skeptical of its "extra-terrestrial" origin.

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THE WASHINGTON POST Wednesday, July 7, 1965 C7

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British Authors Honored

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July 9, 1965 Boston Globe

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NEW YORK POST, WEDNESDAY... JULY 7, 1965

11 in Antarctic Claim To See Flying Saucer

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The object, observed and photographed by Argentine Navy men at two Antarctic bases on the evening of July 3, was shaped like a double convex lens. It was colored mainly red and green, changing occasionally to yellow, blue, orange, green and white, a Navy statement said.

The object made no noise, and moved generally eastward, with occasional westward shifts, at changing speeds. At times it appeared to hover over the watching men at one of the bases. A total of 11 Argentines witnessed the sight.

The body finally disappeared in a northwesterly direction flying at an altitude of six to 10 miles, the statement said.

An earlier report from a British Antarctic base said the object zigzagged about the horizon for about 10 minutes, sending geomagnetic instruments wild. Men at a Chilean base said the object had been spotted twice in two weeks and ten color photographs were taken.

N.Y. Times

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Personnel at the British station reported sighting an unidentified object but described it only yellow at times and green at others, the report said.

The Chilean air force quoted the British observers as saying the object shone with the intensity of a star of the first magnitude.

The Argentines, according to the Chilean report, sighted an object which alternately glowed white, yellow, green and orange.

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which left a large vapor trail as it moved across the sky at high speed.

The report said the Argentine station known as Orcadas reported that the object affected the instruments used to measure

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Mystery: What Was It? PSE RSF-642. 7/9/65

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TIME/PLACE OF SIGHTING: June 18 and July 2, 3, 1965, (only time given was for July 3 sighting at 7:40 p.m. local time)/South Pole encampments of the British, Argentine and Chilean Governments.
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NUMBER OF OBSERVERS: 19 for the first Argentine sighting, number of observers not given for British, Chilean and second Argentine sightings.
TYPE OF OBSERVER. Scientific and military personnel, photographers and at least one meteorologist.
NUMBER OF OBJECTS: One.
OBSERVER RELIABILITY: Good.
SHAPE: Like a gigantic double-convex lens, extremely brilliant but solid.
DIMENSIONS: Not given, probably indeterminable because of object's great distance from the observers.

COLOR: Mostly red and green, changing once in a while to yellow, orange, blue and white.
SOUND: None.
ALTITUDE: 45° above horizon at estimated distance of about six to nine miles.
SPEED: Extremely fast.
TACTICS: Zig-zag trajectory, changed speeds and directions often, once hovered motionless at an altitude of about three miles for about 15 minutes, another time stopped suddenly from high speed to hover motionless for 20 minutes.
COMMENT: The Chilean Antarctic Commander, Mario Barrera, reported the sighting to Air Force communications headquarters in Santiago with this opinion: "I do not believe this could be an aircraft of terrestrial manufacture. As an officer of the Chilean Air Force, my knowledge of man-made machines gives me absolute certainty that nothing similar exists on Earth in shape, velocity or mobility in space." ■

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"EL MERCURIO", SANTIAGO, CHILE 7 July, 1965

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CHILEAN A.F. CORPORAL PHOTOGRAPHED THE EXTRAORDINARY CELESTIAL BODY.

Scientific circles as well as those of the National Defense Ministry have reviewed with caution and some distrust the information that a strange celestial body was sighted in Antarctica by personnel of the "Pedro Aguirre Cerda" Base.

These events have added to the numerous other mysteries which disturb scientists of several nations stationed at the bases of the White Continent. The I.G.Y. of '57-58 resulted in uncounted revelations in glaciology, seismology, meteorology and other sciences, centering around the different features of the 14.5 million square kilometers of earth covered by thick ice blankets.

Nevertheless, the celestial bodies observed lately have implanted a question which has gone unanswered.

Dr. Mensel, of the Astronomical Observatory of the Univ. of Chile, at Cerro Colam, Northernmost Don Hugo Moreno recalls that Dr. Mensel, notable Northernmost specialist in solar physics, has declared that these phenomenon are explainable by physical actions in the atmosphere.

Nevertheless also indicated that there is no report that an astronomer has witnessed the passage of these objects.

Moreno indicated that the USAF maintains a center dedicated to the study of these celestial bodies, which appear at diverse locations on this planet.

SIGHTING

Fourteen days ago, the P.A. Cerda base announced that, at 16:00 hours of the 18th of June a celestial body of the intense luminosity of a star of first magnitude was seen by all the personnel of the base. It appeared in the East of Detepsion Isle, at 60 degrees elevation, effecting a 180 degree turn to the left to continue in an Easterly direction. The object later turned 90 degrees to the right, to disappear toward the South. The strange phenomenon was visible for 40 minutes. The meteorological conditions were those of a clear, but dark sky.

The strong prevailing wind prevented the mounting of equipment on tripods to photograph the "star".

DECLARATIONS OF WITNESSES

"El Mercurio" yesterday interviewed personnel of the P.A. Cerda Base. The [illegible] conversation across 3500 Kilometers was perfect. The Chilean A.F. Commander of the base, Don Mario John Barraza, explained that the phenomenon observed by all the members of his command last Saturday at the frozen CONTINENT: "It is adventurous for us to say we all saw a flying saucer, one of those science-fiction things. On the other hand, it was something real, an object which was moving at astonishing velocity, maneuvering, etc, giving off a blue-green light and caused interferrance in the electromagnetic equipment at an Argentine base which is directly in front of ours, on a nearby island."

The voice was heard over equipment of the Department of Radio Operations of the Chilean A.F. on the third floor of the Defense Ministry in this city, with only brief periods of interferrance, caused by the atmospheric phenomena in the South of the area. The direct line was made available through the courtesy of the Chief of Public Relations of the Chilean A.F., Group Commander Don Jose' Berdichewsky, at 16:00 hrs. yesterday. Radio contact lasted for twenty minutes.

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The voice of Commander John continued: " This is the second time, in less than a month we have observed these celestial bodies. The first was the 18th of last June, and then this Saturday at 19:20 hrs. It was during this last case that the entire crew witnessed the object, while they were making daily atmospheric measurements. The object was of red-yellow color, varying

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to green, yellow and orange. It was at a short distance, at an angle of 45 degrees with respect to us, over the extreme North of the island, later moving in a zig-zag course. In one of it's maneuvers, it remained stationary in the air, quietly, with the equipment at hand, theodolites, binoculars, we remained stunned as we observed the celestial body, motionless in that spot in space for about 20 minutes."

"WE PHOTOGRAPH IT"

Without interrupting his narration, Cmdr. Jahn, with excited, but certain words, manifested that he considered the most important aspect of the observation. Corporal Vladislao Duran Martinez, of the crew, quickly looked for his camera, and took more or less ten photographs, which, regarding his experience will be perfect. He not only took the photographs, but location with a theodolite and binoculars to get a more perfect picture." HE

"Unfortunately, here at the base we have no laboratory for processing color photographs, so that the Chilean A.F., as well as ourselves will have to wait until next March, when our crew is rotated. Only then may we make a further study of the case."

Asked about the form of the object, he indicated that the sighting was at night, with a clear, but dark, sky, and that the light of the object, already described was the fundamental feature of the sighting.

"Don't Know of Anything Similar"

He was asked for a more personal impression of the phenomenon, to inquire if, in his opinion, this could have been an extraterrestrial "flying saucer". He started: "It is adventurous to give an opinion in that respect, but our observation did not involve a hallucination of a collective psychosis. We are at the base for scientific reasons, and we try to analyze from this point of view, whatever we observe. But, I can say it was not a star, because it had a rapid and continued movement. To me it was a celestial object which I cannot identify. I do not believe it could have possibly been an aircraft constructed on earth. I belong to the Air Force, and my knowledge of man made aircraft does not include anything like this, because of it's shape, velocity and maneuverability in the air, etc."

"WITNESS AT THREE BASES"

To corroborate his point of view, that the object was real, he stated that later, while in communication with the English base, he learned that the personnel of that base reported seeing an object the size of a first magnitude star the day before. This communication came at 20:30 hrs.

In another location, the same thing took place with the personnel of the Argentine base, at almost the same time. There, the great certainty that the sighting was of a strange, solid object was supported by certain abnormal interferences in electromagnetic equipment, from the moment the object appeared.

He later indicated that the members of his crew returned to routine tasks after discussing the matter. "In all, this is the second time we've seen something like this, ...We're getting used to it" the man agreed, in a kidding tone.

From that moment, communication with the antarctic base grew less audible. The voices sounded far away, and we then lost modulation.

Finally, Commandante Bordiboursky saluted the chief of the Pedro Aguirre Cerda Chilean A.F. Base, and sent a few words for the rest of the crew, Lt. E. Benavides Barcenas; Sgtos. L. Mena Tobar, A.Vera Pinochet, H.Perez Morales and J. Silva Diaz; Corporals O. Duran Martinez (Who took the photos), J. Urrea Retamal, R.Arteaga Carrasco, W. Benavides Gangas, and J. Alarcon Gomez; and meteorologist Don Angel Concha Calderu.

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Translated by NICAP-NYC Subcommittee July 26, 1965

Translation of News Article
From "CLARIN", Buenos Aires, July 7, 1965

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GIANT IDENTIFIED, ALTHOUGH OBSERVED FOR A LONG TIME BY PERSONNEL OF THE ARGENTINE, CHILEAN AND BRITISH BASES.
MOVED OVER A CONTINENT, 220 - 240 COURSE

Numerous Personnel of the Antarctic bases of three nations: Argentina, Chile and Great Britain, in conditions of optimum visibility, observed the maneuvers of an unidentified "Flying Object". No state official communications from the area, including one from the Secretary of the Navy of our country. Independently, the "Clarin" has communicated directly with the Decepcion Base, obtaining from the base commander the details of the sighting.

SILENCE MAINTAINED

The reason for public disclosure of the exact details of the incident appears to be to set straight the many misleading reports published yesterday, when little official information was available.

This is Not the first time aerial bodies have been reported over our territory. The case of the flying saucers remains a scientific enigma, dividing current opinion into yes and no camps with respect to their very existence.

In many cases it has been demonstrated that a psychosis can produce a different impression of an observation.

But, in other cases, doubt has remained, and the mystery unexplained. It is natural, consequently, that the first news of the Antarctic encounter was exaggerated, to the extent of reporting a "Flotilla of Flying Saucers" maneuvering "a few hours". Shortly after the "Clarin" communicated with the Commander of the Argentine Naval Base, receiving the official reports in this city and from Santiago, Chile, and was able to correct the first reports from a flotilla to a single object, seen in "Conditions of perfect visibility", making strange maneuvers.

NEW YORK DESCRIBED IT

In accordance with the Naval communique, the meteorological observer at Decepcion, at 19:40 on the third of July, observed a solid, lenticular form, solid in nature, predominantly red and green in color. For moments it gave off tones of yellow, blue, green, orange and white. This observer was immediately joined by the other witnesses from the base, who also followed the object's maneuvers. It was moving in a generally East direction, changing momentarily to West, at an altitude of 45 degrees above the horizon at a distance of 10-15 kilometers.

The flight was characterized by total absence of sound, changes in velocity and hovering, suspended in space, motionless for moments.

The conditions of visibility precluded mistakes by the observers for that reason. Visibility was exceptional for that time of the year in that zone: Clear sky, with some isolated strato-cumulus, visible moon (4th Quarter).

The length of the observation was 15-20 minutes permitting several photos to be taken. The object left at an altitude of 30 degrees over the horizon. (It had descended about 10 degrees since first sighted.)

OFFICIAL RELEASE FROM THE NAVY

The Secretary of the Navy, through the Department of Public Relations, released to the public the following bulletin, signed by the chief of the Department, Naval Captain Oscar Rigardo Tacchella:

"Sighting of Unidentified Flying Object in Argentine Antarctica

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ARGENTINE TRANSLATION (2)

The communique continues, stating that there was an absence of sound, and there were maneuvers, variations of speed and the object hovered stationary in space for moments.

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"Personnel of the Antarctic Naval Base of Orcada also observed the UFO late in the same day. They indicated that the object left in a Northeast direction (330 degrees) at an altitude of 30 degrees over the horizon, and an estimated distance of 10-15 kilometers."

STRANGE DETAILS

The Chilean Antarctic Commander, Mario John Barrera, confirmed some of the details received, but thought that it pertained to a shooting star. He allowed that the collective state of psychosis apparent in personnel in the Decepcion zone permits all types of conjecture.

On the other hand, there are strange details, and the observation initiated at 19:40 lasted almost 20 minutes, for five of these the object hung motionless in the sky. Nine members of the Chilean base, while making routine reports, described the object making zig-zag maneuvers in the air at an altitude of 45 degrees.

CONFIRMATION IN CHILE

Santiago, Chile, 6 (Cables of AP AFP Reuter, ANSA y "Clarin Agency")

Argentine, British and Chilean military and scientific personnel sighted an unidentified flying object which gave off or glowed with a white light, at high altitude and came at considerable speed in a Southeast direction. The release indicates the object flew a zig-zag path and appeared to hover momentarily suspended in the air. The information caused commotion when released to the public.

It was indicated that the British personnel in the area also reported seeing the mysterious objects, but they described it as yellow, momentarily and green. They stated that it was as bright as a first magnitude star.

The Argentine station at Orcada of the South communicated that the the celestial body, seen also at that base, affected the instruments used to measure magnetic fields.

First news reached here after the commander of the Chilean Base Pedro Aguirre Cerda sent a radiogram to the Commandant of the Chilean Air Force, which has jurisdiction over the base. A member of the personnel of the base was able to obtain color slides photographs through a theodolite. He is identified as Aviation Corporal Uladislao Duran. Since there are no facilities for processing color film here, results will have to wait until March of next year.

This information figured in the radiogram released by the Commander-In-Chief of the Chilean Air Force. It was also made known that the British base released the following communique: "At 19:45, 5 members of the British base observed a celestial object North of Decepcion Island, flying a zig-zag course, which was visible on the horizon for 5-10 minutes. It's color was red-yellow, changing to green, and was visible at an altitude of 20 degrees."

A later communique from the Air Force mentioned information from the Argentine base, stating that "11 men made the same observation" Another, from Orcada, took note of the phenomenon and the fact that "alterations in the magnetic field, notably out of normal, were registered on our geomagnetic instruments".

Finally, a categoric affirmation: "There has existed no prior communication between these bases which could have induced a psychosis about this type of sighting".

END.

Translated from news clipping by NICAP-NYC, 7-16-65

TRANSLATION OF OFFICIAL UFO REPORTS FROM NAVAL MINISTRY OF ARGENTINA

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ARGENTINE NAVAL MINISTRY REPORT TRANSLATION (CONTINUED)

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(Signed) [illegible]
[illegible]
Secretary of the Navy
Chief, Naval Information
and Security Bureau
Buenos Aires, Argentina.

TRANSLATED FROM THE ORIGINAL LETTER BY MSGT-WCC SUBCOMMITTEE, JULY 17, 1952.

/in" 7-7-05, S.A. Argentina

INSTRUMENTS AND HYPOTHESIS

Information at hand from the Argentine, British and chilean Bases coincides in affirming one identical circumstance. In all cases, and simultaneously with the visual observation of the luminous space objects, swift oscillations were preceptable on geomagnetic instruments. This phenomenon, recorded over the prolonged period (20 Minutes) could only be produced by an object of large dimensions and considerable mass was near the recording instrument, and possessed its own magnetic field. There exists, on the other hand one other possibile explaination: That is, that the object, of lesser dimensions, had caused a great dynamic molecular displacement, which could generate (availing itself of the positive charge of the atmosphere) its own magnetic field.

END

THE SACRAMENTO BEE Thursday, July 8, 1965

'Tis The Season

Saucer Viewers Might Just Be In Their Cups

By Eddy Gilmore

LONDON — AP — The flying saucer season has opened.

So has the Loch Ness monster season.

Within the last few days strange objects have been reported from France, Argentina and Warminster in England's county Wiltshire.

The Loch Ness monster, reported seen by two Scottish brothers, is so familiar to residents around Loch Ness it is affectionately known as Nessie.

At least five persons saw the "thing" in Warminster. They agree it was a "fiery object" glowing in the southern sky after a heavy rain.

Last night Harold Horlock and his wife Dora spotted it.

"It was very frightening," said Mrs. Horlock. "It sharpened into focus high up and looked just like two red hot pokers, one on top of the other."

"It was as plain and as bright as could be," said her husband. "It stopped still in the sky for at least 10 minutes."

Colin Hampton, 18, and his friend Michael Fraser, 20, also said they saw the "thing."

Others reported hearing loud high pitched noises overhead.

From Argentina yesterday came a report of a mysterious flying object seen in the Antarctic during the weekend.

Gendarmes in Valensole, France, said they were investigating a farmer's report he saw a mysterious aircraft taking off from one of his fields. Maurice Masse, 42, the farmer, said the object resembled a large football with four metal legs.

Masse said the metal legs left marks in his field. He also told the gendarmes he saw a small human form near the object.

"Suddenly," Masse said, "the craft took off and disappeared in the sky. I couldn't believe my eyes."

"We don't think it was a joke," a gendarme said.

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SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

'Fiery Object' Over Britain

London

A strong "fiery object" was reported yesterday to have been seen glowing in the sky over Wiltshire county, about 100 miles west of London.

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Reuters

8-B—THE DETROIT NEWS — Thursday, July 8, 1965

Glowing 'Object' Reported Over English Town

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Dozens of people in Warminster have reported mystery objects in the sky over the last six months.

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Scientists at Argentine, British and Chilean Antarctic bases have all reported sighting a mystery object in the sky over the last few days.

The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette July 21, 1965 - RECEIVED SEP 30 1965

Are They Weather Balloons or . . . Something Else?

'Things' in Sky Alarm Many

By JERRY BUCK
Associated Press Staff Writer

NEW YORK, July 20 — Some people around the world say they are seeing more in summer skies than buzzing insects and birds on the wing.

From Antarctica to England come reports of mysterious flying objects zipping through space and, in some reported cases, interfering with electromagnetic equipment.

At least five sightings outside the United States in the past two weeks remain unexplained.

But a glowing object that caused a commotion from Ohio to Maryland turned out to be a runaway Navy balloon launched in Canada.

What are these objects?

The Air Force, which has looked into 9,127 reported sightings to date since 1947, says they're usually balloons, birds, searchlights, jet exhausts—or the red and white kite sent up by your neighbor's child.

To date, the Air Force said only 667 remained unidentified. And most of these, it said, could be explained away if more information was made available to its investigative agency, Project Bluebook at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio.

The Air Force said its 18 years of investigation has turned up absolutely no evidence to indicate the objects came from space.

Disagreeing with the Air Force is Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe, a retired Marine pilot who is director of the National Investigations Committee for Aerial Phenomena in Washington, D. C.

"The conclusion of the majority of our board of governors and scientific consultants is that these things must be from some advanced civilization," said Keyhoe.

Keyhoe contends the Air Force reached the same conclusion years ago, but has a "high level policy of explaining the sightings away one way or another so as not to scare people."

The saucer season got off to a "flying" start in Europe July 7.

"It was very frightening," said Mrs. Dora Horlock, who, with her husband, Harold, spotted a fiery object in the southern sky near Warminster, England.

That same night in Valensole, France, Maurice Masse said he saw taking off from his farm an object that resembled a large football with four metal legs. "We don't think it was a god," said an official.

The next day the Chilean Air Force and Argentine Navy reported that Chilean, Argentine and British personnel in Antarctica saw a kite-shaped object—"yellowish red, changing to green, yellow and orange"—that affected instruments used to measure magnetic fields.

Over Portugal and the Azores July 10 more flying things were seen. The Villa Do Porto weather station in the Azores said a glowing object appeared over the island and that the bureau's electromagnetic clock stopped.

Around the globe on July 15 air traffic officers and other expert aircraft observers said they spotted a flying object glinting in the sun near the airport at Canberra, Australia. It was visible for 40 minutes, then disappeared when an Air Force plane was sent after it.

Another sighting was reported last night at Weymouth, Mass.

Mrs. Lawrence Frazier said her sons, Ronald, 20, and Robert, 27, saw "pulsating flights . . . spread out over the sky." She said it "sounded like a flying science fiction movie."

Air Force Downgrades Flying Saucer Reports

Spokesman Says UFO Stories Can Be Explained As Natural Phenomena

Washington (UPI) — The Air Force refused to get alarmed yesterday over a rash of recent claims of flying saucer sightings over Portugal, the South Pole, Japan, and Latin America.

A spokesman for the Air Force, which keeps track of reports of unidentified flying objects (UFOs), said it had no evidence of unexplained activity.

He added, as the Air Force has in the past, that most such claims have turned out upon scientific examination to be natural phenomena, weather balloons or meteors common in summer months.

On the other hand, a spokesman for the National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomena—a nongovernment research organization—said that UFO sightings have shown their biggest increase since 1957.

AIDE SEES PATTERN

Richard Hall, acting director of the nonprofit outfit, said: "It is interesting that the Air Force is unable to find a pattern because it is staring them in the face."

The latest flying saucer report came yesterday from Oporto, Portugal, where a villager and wife said they saw an object overhead which looked like a deep dish turned upside down.

They said that radio static increased tremendously while the object hovered over their village. "The noise stopped as soon as the object disappeared," the man said.

The Air Force collects data on reported sightings only over the continental United States. The reports listed recently have all come from abroad.

Hall said that last Tuesday, British and Argentine scientists in the Antarctic reported a UFO which "sent their geometric instruments wild."

He also reported that last March 21 a Japanese airline pilot said that an unidentified object flew alongside his plane for 55 miles, violently affecting his craft's direction finder.

Witnesses in the Azores off Portugal reported seeing a UFO overhead at an altitude of 33,000 feet last week. There were reports that clocks at Santa Maria Airport stopped for 10 minutes during the incident.

One spectator was quoted as saying the object was a "white cylinder which sometimes look like a balloon."

Portuguese, French, and British navy officials in the area said they had launched no balloons.

Other unidentified flying objects were reported last week over Argentina and Uruguay.

Outside Force Tore Plane Asunder, Expert Suggests

(N. Y. Times-Chicago Tribune Service)

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 15 — A Seattle pathologist who is an expert on air crashes said in Vancouver yesterday that he is completely baffled as to the cause of the wreck Thursday of a Canadian Pacific Airlines DC-6B in which 52 died.

Dr. Warren Lovell, who has investigated more than 150 crashes involving 2,000 deaths, said he would not exclude the possibility of a force "completely unknown to science at present" as the cause of the crash.

Unlikely Prospect Considered

"I would also not exclude that a force from outer space is responsible," he said, "no matter how unlikely this possibility appears to be."

Chemists are examining parts of the aircraft, and have concluded that the explosion took place in the toilet, causing the plane to split apart.

The washbowl was forced closed, like a tulip, and the floor underneath was pushed down violently. The toilet bowl was shattered.

Lovell said there was no structural defect or metal fatigue, and no turbulence.

"I have never seen anything like this," Lovell said. "In all previous cases we have been able to determine the cause of the crash."

Chemists have found no trace of nitrates that would have resulted from a conventional explosion. There has been no evidence of bomb injuries, and it has been determined that there was nobody in the washroom when the plane was ripped apart.

Pieces of formica and steel from the washroom were found embedded in the floor, and in the bodies of some of the passengers. The bodies all have been X-rayed.

Acid Burns on Gown

Acid burns were found in a nightgown owned by a stewardess. It was in an overnight case near the washroom.

Police are questioning relatives of victims, examing medical and psychiatric records, and studying insurance policies issued for the flight.

One passenger, an unemployed construction worker who was flying to Prince George to look for work, bought insurance policies valued at $125,000 before take-off.

The pilot called "mayday" the international distress signal three times, seconds before the crash, but there was no further word from the plane. The inquest will take several weeks.

Yugoslavia Grants Argentina Credit

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, July 15 (AP) — Yugoslavia has granted Argentina a 10-million-dollar credit for importation of Yugoslav capital goods. The two countries also have signed a one-year commercial treaty.

The News

MEXICO, D. F., SUNDAY, JULY 11, 1965

Flying Saucers Seen In State Of Guerrero

CHILPANCINGO, Guerrero, July 10. — Luminous bodies moving across the sky at great speeds were seen between 2:30 and 4:30 a.m. by numerous persons here.

David Valenzuela Francisco Miranda, Prof. Ramón Falcón, Héctor Díaz Garzón, Delfino Castrejón and a newspaperman saw the speeding flying saucers.

They appeared as two luminous dots in the sky. They would remain static and suddenly float across the sky to another spot where they would make a sudden stop before moving on to other places.

Their movements were from left toward right and upward.

The saucers seemed transparent and, because of their speed, they were difficult to follow with the eye.

The flying saucers seen here showed a strong light in the lower part which became brighter with movement until it reached a white and yellowish hue.

Observers noted that both bodies, while staying apart, moved in simultaneous operation.

This was not the first day that the objects were seen. They have been sighted during the past few days and are becoming an almost daily occurrence.

Monday, July 12, 1965 The Japan Times 3

Unidentified Flying Objects Reportedly Seen in Argentina

BUENOS AIRES (Kyodo-Reuter)—The "flaming or orange" saucer-shaped objects were sighted yesterday in new sightings of unidentified flying objects were reported in South America.

A police sergeant was reported Sunday as saying he and his whole family saw a flat, saucer-shaped object hovering Friday night over the northwestern Argentine province of Chaco.

It reportedly hung in the sky for several minutes, near Resistencia, before shooting off southwestward with a trail of flame.

In Montevideo, a local Uruguayan news agency reported some 150 people seeing a luminous flying object changing color shortly after 8 p.m. Saturday (7 a.m. Sunday, Japan time).

One eye-witness was quoted as saying it hovered for several minutes at estimated above a mountain at Colonia Treinta, revolving on its own axis before flying off at high speed.

The current spate of "flying saucer" started early this month when Chilean, Argentine and British ministers in the Argentine observed mysterious flying objects" which they said were circular, disco-shaped, luminescent and silent.

The commander of the Chilean station, where color photographs of the object were taken, said it would be ridiculous to say it was a "flying saucer."

Watches Stop

SANTA MARIA AIRPORT, Azores (UPI)—Watchmakers wondered Saturday why 18 electromagnetic watches stopped here Friday while a reported unidentified flying object (UFO) passed slowly overhead at 50,000 feet.

Coincidence was all ruled out in that all were connected to one central watch at the airport, but why did they all stop, again at 1045 GMT, 32 minutes later, they asked.

By this time, a Commercial Airlines Inc. Douglas DC-6B (CAT) plane had taken off for a closer look at the UFO which, a chorus of witnesses—including dozens of workmen—reported over the message Maria Fay, radio operator, had reported seeing.

But by the time the plane was airborne, the UFO had disappeared to the northwest.

The witnesses said it had spent about 45 minutes flying slowly in a northwesterly direction in a cylindrical object with two round objects on each side.

Cleveland, Ohio

JUL 12 1965

Says Flying Saucers Seen All Over World

WASHINGTON — (UPI) — The National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena [illegible] experienced a record number of reported sightings of UFOs during the July 4 holiday.

A spokesman for the group's research committee said it did not mean [illegible] flying saucers have been visiting earth more frequently than usual but that [illegible] are on more alert for [illegible] world, including Antarctica.

The most recent sighting took place in the Soviet Union [illegible] Yesterday, [illegible]

THE AIR FORCE, which [illegible] reported sightings, said it had no [illegible] reports in its files. [illegible] UFO sightings. The spokesman [illegible] the Air Force is not [illegible] and to be subject [illegible] phenomena [illegible] the [illegible] a possibility.

[illegible] Hall, NICAP [illegible] director, [illegible] U.S. Defense [illegible]

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Monday, July 12, 1965 The Greenville News

GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

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"LETTERS TO EDITOR" PAGE

THOSE SET SPUTNIKS

Montvale, N.J., a newsreader, on his "visited John" the other evening, reported the sighting of [illegible] Unidentified Flying Objects over Pennsylvania. Don't [illegible] these people intend to take these sightings seriously, especially when they are spotted by other reliable authorities? They [illegible] lights plus shows of [illegible] seemingly over the [illegible] as higher than the typically [illegible] several other people who have seen but not reported [illegible] objects in the sky. There should be a simple manner in which people can report such possibly important sightings.

COLD WEEK

The Evening Journal Monday, July 12, 1965

From Portugal

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That Flying Saucer —A Trial Balloon?

Post 7/13/65

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Mystery Craft Stops Time

Santa Maria, Azores, July 10 (UPI)—An airport spokesman said today that a mysterious flying object apparently stopped all electrical watches at the Santa Maria Airport along with clocks over this island yesterday. He said a white cylindrical object, with wide flaring wings, hovered at an altitude of 25,000 feet. Attempts to identify it were unsuccessful.

en el cielo de las islas Azores

VILA DE PORTO, Islas Azores, 11 (UPI). —Las oficinas meteorológicas de las Azores indican hoy que una misteriosa [illegible] magnéticos de aeronaves, objetos [illegible] cuadrantes, dijeron hoy que [illegible] la atmósfera [illegible]. Los [illegible] en el cielo. El objeto [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] de Portugal [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] de altura.

New York Journal-American 4*R Tues., July 13, 1965-3

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PORTUGAL- JULY 11

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Portuguese Couple Spots UFO; Airport Clocks Stop

OPORTO, Portugal (UPI) — A Portuguese couple Monday described an unidentified flying object they saw flying overhead like "a deep dish turned upside down."

Manuel Fernandes, 53, and his 49-year-old wife Laura, saw the cylindrical shaped object Sunday from their village of Palco, not far from Porto, Portugal's second largest city.

The sighting followed sightings Friday of a similarly described object over the Santa Maria Airport at the Azores Islands, about 800 miles to the west.

The Azores "flying saucer" was said to have hovered over the airport for about 45 minutes before moving off and out of sight, chased by a Portuguese airlines plane that had taken off to investigate.

"It appeared at my right going slowly," said Mrs. Fernandes, the first to spot the object. "I had the impression it was gyrating and was shaped like a somewhat flattened sphere."

"Then it stopped. From that position, it appeared different to me. It was like a big deep dish, turned upside down, and it was intermittently luminous," she said.

Her husband also said he saw the object.

In the Azores, 10 electro-magnetic clocks stopped for 10 minutes while the unidentified flying object, described as "white," hovered overhead.

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THE NEW YORK TIMES, TUESDAY, JULY 13, 1965.

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By WALTER SULLIVAN

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New 'Flying Saucers' Rash Puts Sky Watchers In Spin

'Sightings' on four continents most since 1957

By EMIL R. SVEILIS, United Press International

PEOPLE on four continents have gazed into the sky in recent weeks, usually at night, and seen something they couldn't explain. Suddenly, the [illegible] phenomenon is back with a [illegible] From the United States, from Argentina, Uruguay, Portugal, Finland, Antarctica and Australia have come the [illegible] reports of sightings of unidentified flying objects (UFOs). The sightings have been the most numerous since 1957.

The U.S. Air Force has been investigating reports of UFOs seen over U.S. territory or bases abroad since 1947. So far it has studied 3,100 cases. Of these, 90 per cent sightings have [illegible] explained. So far this year, the Air Force has investigated 221 reports, of which only four remain unexplained.

It says most sightings have turned out to be natural phenomena, balloons or meteors.

A number of organizations continue investigating aerial phenomena also. Investigators UFOs. Acting Director Richard Hall said a UFO recently flew alongside a Japanese airliner, sending its instruments "wild."

"Another similar sighting happened July 4 in Antarctica," he said. "British and Argentine scientists reported an unidentified object which violently affected their geomagnetic instruments."

July 8 — Lt. John Haag of the Scotia, Calif., police force and another officer said they observed a blinking red light for about 30 minutes. They said the object was much brighter than Venus and climbed straight up, turned north and moved away.

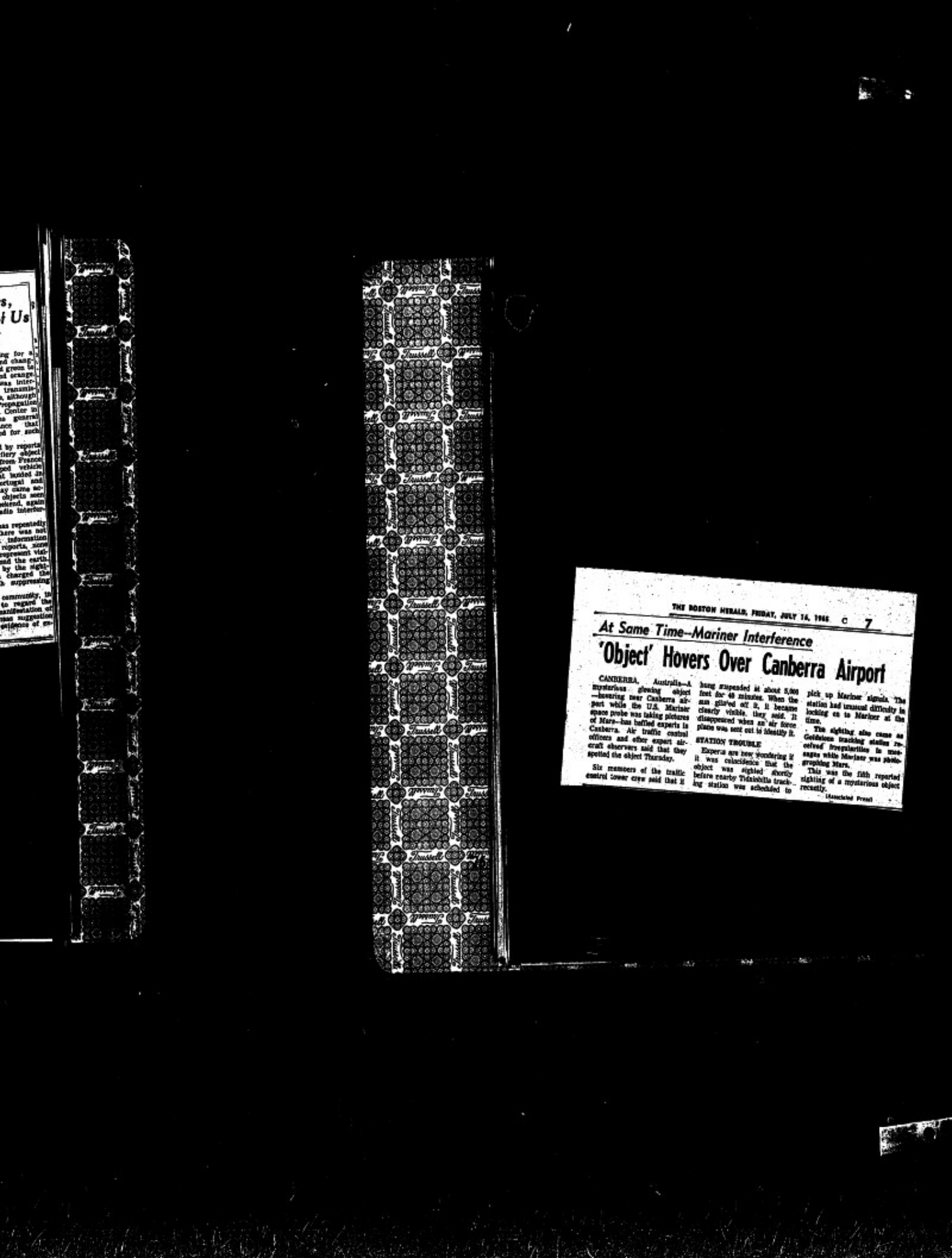
July 11—Witnesses at the Santa Maria Airport in the Azores said simultaneously watches stopped for 10 minutes [illegible] a UFO passed overhead. In Garfield, N.J., a witness said the light from "a huge glowing ball" lit the ground for 5 seconds. "After that, it suddenly shot out of sight."

July 20—Five persons in Massachusetts said they saw an object with four arms in the sky for about 45 minutes. Boston area residents reported seeing a silvery object at a low altitude for about 15 minutes.

July 21—Twenty persons near Framingham, Mass., reported a silver-white UFO hovering over the area for almost a half-hour. A Baltimore, Md., radio station received numerous calls about a UFO at a very high altitude zig-zagging across the sky.

July 22—The Spanish news agency CIFRA said "highly responsible sources" sighted two "flying saucers" in Ubeda in southern Spain.

The Air Force is careful about what it says about unexplained sightings. So it says, it finds no evidence that UFOs "do pose a threat to our security, nor has there been evidence of validation that these sightings are [illegible] from other planets." It said, too, that it does not deny that life may exist on other planets, but to date no conclusive evidence has been shown to support the theory that the UFOs originate from other planets.



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(Associated Press)

THE TIMES-PICAYUNE, NEW ORLEANS, LA., FRIDAY MORNING, JULY 16, 1965

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CHICAGO TRIBUNE, FRIDAY, JULY 16, 1965

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SUN-HERALD, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA - July 18, 1965

I TALK WITH MEN WHO SAW 'THAT THING' - From Graham Gambie

CANBERRA, Saturday. - The arrival of "the thing" this week has plunged Canberra into a great flying-saucer mystery.

Everyone I spoke to here said they were certain that flying saucers don't exist, but they would sleep a little more easily at night if someone could prove what "the thing" was.

The brilliant ball of light that hung low on the horizon outside the city has everyone guessing - from house-wives to the scientific staff of Mt. Stromlo Observatory.

Meterological balloons, planets, reflections from a lake, or shining on a small plane are only some of the theories that have been put to the test and blown out.

Science fictions dreams or not, the Canberra light is only one of a dozen "sightings" over the past few weeks in all parts of the world.

In some places electro-magnetic clocks have stopped and other instruments have gone "haywire" when the mysterious objects have been seen.

CALL FROM U.S. - What makes Canberra's "flying saucer" so unusual is that the seven men who saw it are all trained experts - men who watch the sky for a living.

When they announced that they had no idea what the hovering light could Canberra Airport's switchboard was jammed by curious callers and a special man had to be assigned to handle the inquiries.

"What was 'the thing'?" caller after caller wanted to know.

An American newspaper in Memphis, Tennessee, spent 12 minutes on the phone trying to fathom the mystery.

Air control officer Mr. T. Lindsay told me he saw the light first when he was looking for a small plane north of Canberra Airport at about 10:50 a.m., on Thursday.

'SMALLER THAN THE MOON' - As he pointed out of the control tower window, Mr. Lindsay said: "I've been in this job for two and a half years and I've never seen anything like it before.

"My first impression was of a large yellow luminous balloon rather like the moon but much smaller.

"It wasn't Venus as has been suggested - I'm sure of that from the position. Mind you, I don't necessarily think it was a flying saucer."

He snapped his fingers dramatically and said: "After all that time - about 40 minutes - it was gone just like that!

"It was like something rolling over with one side dark and one side light and then vanishing."

Another controller, Mr. Tony Prodsham, picked up a pair of powerful binoculars and said: "With these we can spot a jet seven or eight miles up, but I couldn't pick out the shape of the light with them.

"In colour it looked like a metallic object glinting in the sun.

"But if it had been an aircraft flying away or towards us we could have picked out something like the undercarriage with our glasses.

"And no aeroplane would have stayed at the low altitude so long.

"The puzzling thing about the whole business is that bright light being stationary for so long."

In the control tower the officers have been joking about the "saucer" for two days.

"There it goes again" one called out to Tom Lindsay. "No, no - don't say it," he replied.

"I wish I had never seen it now."

Mr. Prodsham said: "I was frightened last night that a little green man would come knocking on my window and accuse me of turning him in to the newspapers."

The Officer in Charge of Civil Aviation in Canberra, Mr. A.B. Lindeman

Flying Objects Are Spotted Over Uruguay

BUENOS AIRES — UPI — An unidentified flying object was spotted over the Rio Plata, the 28 mile wide river that divides Argentina and Uruguay.

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Scattered reports of flying objects were reported elsewhere this month. On July 10th, a peasant couple in a village near Oporto, the second largest city in Portugal, reported seeing a pinkish unidentified object at about 3,000 feet in the sky. They said they saw the object at the same time some static broke out on their radio.

The day before, members of the staff at the Santa Maria airport in the Azores, said that for 45 minutes they observed an unidentified object at an altitude of 33,000 feet. The deputy airport manager was among those who reported seeing it.

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One of the six who spotted the flying object from Uruguay, Jose Luis Alvarez Larrauma, 17, of Colonia, told the police that the object he saw was cigar shaped, reddish in color and about 18 meters (32 feet) above the river and not far out from the beach. He said it moved upward when he started running toward it and left behind a trail of white vapor similar to that of a jet engine. The other five persons in the party, two of whom were adults, confirmed his story.

Several persons reported spotting unidentified flying objects over Buenos Aires shortly after sunset Friday. They described the objects, some of which were photographed, as cigar shaped and emitting colors ranging from reddish greens to blues. All said the intensity of the light the objects emitted was very bright.

"What I saw was an enormous parabola, three or four times brighter than the brightest star," said an unidentified observer quoted in the newspaper, El Mundo.

The observer said the object had a "reddish" color.

All observers of the objects over Buenos Aires noted that the objects seemed to remain stationary for about 15 minutes before moving away to disappear in the northwest toward Uruguay.

During the period that the flying saucers were seen over Buenos Aires the broadcasting of one of the city's television channels was interrupted because of atmospheric interference.

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The Boston Sunday Globe—July 18, 1965

. . . But Who's Peeking at Us?

By ALAN PATERSON

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (Reuters) — "Flying Saucer" fever climbed here Saturday in the wake of an unidentified flying object spotted Friday night—and the appearance of a second one on photographs of the first.

Several hundred callers jammed newspaper switchboards reporting they had sighted the unidentified object.

Camermen of two newspapers snapped it and the photographs were splashed in Saturday morning's editions.

El Mundo's photo showed an apparent change in the shape of the second object, not visible to the naked eye.

The principal, easily visible object was a squat straight line of light. The second appeared as a faint point in El Mundo's first shot, twin nuclei in the second, and a stubby line of light in the third.

The objects, as photographed, appeared to be brighter than stars in the same photos.

Reports of the object's color varied, but there was fairly general agreement it hovered over this city for about 25 minutes before disappearing.

El Mundo's cameramen had plenty of time to get a speed graphic camera trained on the object and photograph it with the shutters open for 70, 80 and 100 seconds at a time.

The newspaper Cronica's front page photo showed a somewhat hazy luminescent oval, while an inside shot showed a lemon-shaped light source with a straight line of light cutting horizontally across the base of the lemon.

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id: "I wish Mt. Stromlo would tell us it was a planet. I don't like something in the back of my mind I can't understand.

"I carry a colour camera with me normally but I left it at home that day - it would have been wonderful to have a photograph of the light.

"To me it looked like a circular light without any beam.

"It wasn't a pinpoint - you didn't need binoculars to see it.

"Someone said to me 'What's that?' and I said 'Blessed if I know'. I couldn't even identify it with the glasses.

"It disappeared just like that -- zonk."

"STEEL DISC" - Mr. Lindeman said the air control officers were looking at the sky every day and could judge distance and size of an object if they knew one of the factors. "It's a bit silly to talk about sizes in this case" he said.

"But whatever it was it was not a regular phenomena. A bright planet is the only possibility."

At the R.A.A.F. base near the airport, a senior officer said: "You can't rule out the possibility of a flying saucer, but for God's sake don't use my name. I'd be a laughing stock."

Mr. Paul Todd of the Meteorological Bureau, which is based inside the control tower said: "To me the light looked like a steel disc revolving so that it caught the sunlight.

"Then when it lost the sunlight it would disappear completely.

"The only queer thing about it to ME was that we were all looking into the sun as well."

Dr. B.E. Westerlund of Mt. Stromlo Observatory said that if the light was coming from the north-east it would almost certainly be the planet Venus.

"We average about two 'mysterious light' calls a year which turn out to be Venus," he said at his home.

"But if the observers say it was due north and it was so bright, then Venus is diubtful."

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SUN-HERALD, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA - July 20, 1965

RAAF PROBE MYSTERY OBJECT - From E.H. Cox

CANBERRA, TODAY - Royal Australian AF intelligence officers are beginning an investigation into sightings of an unidentified object from the Canberra airport last week.

Air traffic control officers, aircrew who sighted the object, and others who reported it will be questioned and their reports compared.

Every such sighting is investigated by the RAAF and records of the inquiry are kept.

Since systematic investigation began, all but about 4 per cent of objects sighted have been identified or explained in terms of known natural effects.

The records are used for comparison with reports made in other parts of the world to seek a common pattern.

One fact which has emerged in the "sightings" tend to be most numerous about this time of the year in Australia. Another is that they tend to rise at times when meteor showers are most numerous.

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NEWS-HERALD, Panama City, Florida, Sunday, July 18, 1965

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The Pensacola News-Journal Sunday, July 18, 1965

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The Boston Globe—Monday, July 19, 1965

Tugboats Scare Martians Silly

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (Reuters)—Reports of a flying saucer landing raised temperatures Sunday in the fever of sightings of unidentified objects across Latin America.

A youth was reported as saying he saw a four-legged object touch down for two minutes in broad daylight Saturday on a beach just across the River Plate in Uruguay.

He was quoted in Buenos Aires as saying the object shot skywards in a blinding flash after a tug hooted a siren.

One of several Uruguayans who claimed to have seen the object on Honda Beach said it had a circular center, with flattened, oval extensions on either side.

POLICE IN BARI (BAH'-REE), ITALY, SAY AN UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT WAS SIGHTED BY A NUMBER OF RESIDENTS. THE RESIDENTS SAID THE OBJECT WAS ORANGE-COLORED ALTHOUGH SOME REPORTS SAID IT EMITTED FLASHES OF RED LIGHT.

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Boston Sunday Globe—July 18, 1965

Just Coincidence, Or . . .?

Mariner Triggers Rash of UFO Reports

By TIMOTHY LELAND
Science Reporter

Don't look now—but the Martians may be spying BACK!

Even as Mariner-4 arrived at Mars to sneak a peek at the distant Red Planet, a wave of sightings of "unidentified flying objects" were reported last week from widely separated regions of Earth.

It may be just a coincidence. The skeptics would all say this is the case.

On the other hand—it may not be.

The fact is, if there was ever a time for anyone on Mars to visit Earth, this would be it.

The same conditions that makes it feasible for the United States to attempt a probe of Mars now, makes it equally auspicious for would-be Martians to visit us.

Those "conditions" can be stated as solely a matter of distance.

Normally, as the Earth and Mars move around the sun in their separate orbits, their relative positions make any stich exchange visits impossible. Mars is on one side of the sun and the Earth is on the other, or visa versa.

But every two years and two months, the Earth "catches up" with its mysterious neighbor, and comes within a few dozen million miles of it.

There was such an approach this Spring, and both the United States and Russia took advantage of it by firing vehicles towards Mars last November, timing the shots so that the spacecraft would overtake the planet while it was still relatively close to Earth.

If there had been any Martians equipped to do so, they would have fired their vehicles towards Earth at about the same time.

Last week the American craft, Mariner-4, reached its destination, with most systems still functioning. (The Russian spaceship—Zond II—lost radio contact with ground stations shortly after launch.)

And last week, the reports of strange objects sighted in the sky above Earth began pouring in.

From the Antarctic came word that a mysterious lens-shaped flying object, maneuvering and moving at great speed, was seen over a Chilean scientific base.

Mario Jahn Barrera, commander of the base, reported that several persons had observed it.

"Whatever it was, it was definitely real, an object that moved at amazing speed, maneuvered quickly and gave off a blue-green sheen," Barrera said.

"The object itself was yellowish-red, changing to green, yellow and orange. It would zig-zag quickly. We watched it as it remained quietly overhead for about 20 minutes."

He also reported that the object had caused interference in the electromagnetic apparatus of an adjoining Argentinian base. The Central Radio Propagation Laboratory Forecast Center in Virginia subsequently could find no indication of a general magnetic disturbance that could have accounted for such interference.

The Antarctic sighting was followed by reports of a strange "fiery object" that was seen glowing in the sky over Wiltshire County, about 100 miles west of London. At least five people in the town of Warminster claimed they observed it after a brief rainstorm.

Then came a report from France, where a farmer—described as normally "sober and level-headed"—said he saw a flying saucer land on his field, and found impressions in the ground to prove it.

The object, he said, was about the size of an automobile, shaped something like a football, and was supported on six crutch-like legs with a central pivot. It took off obliquely with a whistling sound as he approched, he added.

Then, last Sunday in Portugal, a man and his wife claimed they saw a flying object that looked like a "flattened balloon."

Manuel Fernandes said the thing was "very luminous and had orange colоring, nearly red at time, and shot greenish rays from one side."

It hovered overhead for about three minutes and then headed west toward the coast, according to the Fernandes.

Finally, the very day that Mariner-4 was sweeping past Mars snapping pictures, a mysterious glowing object was observed over the Canberra airport in Australia.

Six members of the traffic control tower said that it hung suspended at about 8000 feet for 40 minutes. When the sun glinted off it, it became clearly visible, they said. It disappeared when an air force plane was sent out to identify it.

Experts were left wondering if it was just coincidental that the object was sighted shortly before nearby Tidnibilla tracking station was scheduled to pick up the Mariner signals. The station had unusual difficulty in locking on to Mariner at the time.

Since 1947, the U.S. Air Force has investigated more than 8000 reported sightings of strange objects in the sky.

Of these, it reported this year that it lists 663 of them officially as "unidentified." This means, in so many words, that the sightings appear to be authentic and credible, but there is no ready explanation for them.

The Air Force has repeatedly said that, while there was not always sufficient information to explain such reports, none were believed to represent visitations from other worlds.

If, however, the Air Force is mistaken (and many intelligent people think it is), Mars — and Martians — will be a prime suspect.

Who knows. Maybe one of Mariner-4's pictures will reveal a giant telescope on the Martian surface, trained on Earth's little space explorer.

July 20 1965

TWO UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (white discs) are seen in the night sky over Buenos Aires, Argentina, in this unretouched photograph. The white objects reportedly remained stationary for about ten minutes and then "flew away at great speed." The photo was taken with an exposure of one minute last Saturday night when the objects were sighted. (UPI Telephoto)

STRANGE FLYING OBJECT MANEUVERS FOR 25 MINUTES OVER 2 NORTHERN PROVINCES

El Mercurio, Santiago, Chile, 20 July 1965

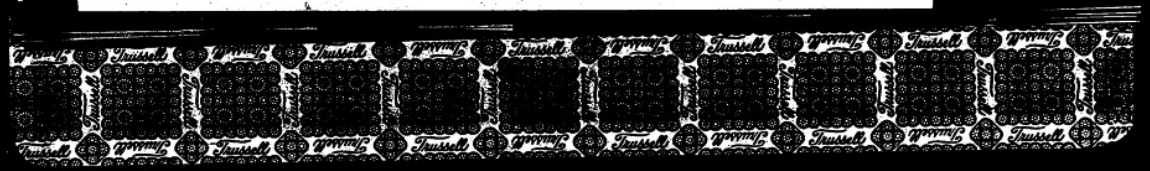
Antofagasta (By correspondent Sergio Mandiola)--A mysterious object flying at high speed and givingoff explosions of great force and noise crossed the sky of the northernzone and held the inhabitants of the provinces of Tarapaca and Antofagasta in suspense. The first area where the flying object was seen was the Saliterera Maria Elena office. Seven receptionists stated that at 1556 hours they saw a conical object, apex toward the rear, flying at high altitude, leaving a smoke trail in space, after producing two loud detonations during changes of direction. The witnesses were Mr. G. Santander, E. Rodriguez, E. Barraza, T. Oyanedel, A. Alvarez, and M. Gonzalez.

The inverted cone was the color of the sky and after the explosions, changed to a strong green, with the apex and intense orange. Upon changing direction and gaining a higher velocity at the moment of the mentioned explosions it changed to a large tube from which fire and smoke issued from the rear. The smoke took the form of a classic atomic cloud while it remained in the air, and then dispersed.

Report From the Chilean Air Force

At the Air Base of Cerro Moreno, we were informed that at that time they had no knowledge of aircraft flying in the area where the object was spotted. It was also stated that personnel of the base had seen the unidentified object flying at high velocity and altitude. They also stated that they received a report from the Los Condores de Iquique base, at 1650 hours, announcing the presence of the ~~xxxxxxx~~ mysterious object. The shape and the noises were noticed and heard clearly.

In Antofagasta a few minutes before it had been confirmed that the object had been sighted in Pedro de Valdivia, Coya, Vergara, Ollague, on the Bolivian frontier, Tocopilla, near the coast, Barriles, on the pampas, and in the city of Antofagasta in the southern section, exactly over the ruins of Huanchaca. At this site it was seen by graduates of the second year of humanities of the Liceo de Hombres, before whom it displayed a large quantity of fire and smoke. The suspense, strangeness and preoccupation of the inhabitants of Tarapaca and Antofagasta was related to the loud explosions, audible at a few kilometres away from the point of sighting, and the high speed of the object in leaving, as it was seen in 9 nine locations in 25 minutes. From the hour at which the strange object in the sky was spotted over Antofagasta the city was buffeted by high force gale winds, very seldom registered in the northern zone. The object made three flights from Cordillera to the sea, and from there to Cordillera again, but did not remain stationary in the sky.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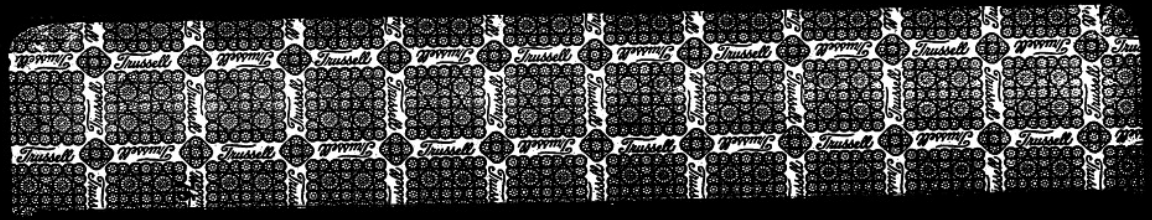
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BOSTON SUN. GLOBE
JULY 18, 1965

Looking at Them . . . . . Looking at Us?

A Closer Look at Mars and a Strange Sight Over Buenos Aires

At left, a high contrast version of Mariner 4's third photo of Mars, taken Wednesday at a distance of about 9500 miles. Computerization provides the clearest picture yet of the planet. The area is southwest of Trivium Charontis on the western edge of the Amazonis Desert. At right, a photographer snapped this picture over Buenos Aires with an exposure of one minute. The white discs reportedly remained stationary over the city for 10 minutes and then "flew away at great speed." A similiar sighting was reported in Australia. Stories on Pages 18 and 19.

(Photos by AP and UPI)

From Perth, Australia News, July 23, 1965, report that five Greenmount boys saw an object July 22 at 4:45 p.m. over their school. Reporter had boys draw independent versions of object, all tallied. Air Force explained it as an RAF plane, even produced the pilot to prove it, Flight Lt. R. V. Johnston, who said what they might have seen was "aquaplasm--a glowing vapor which forms around the after areas of high speed aircraft traveling in moist air."

Adelaide, Australia, Advertiser, July 28, 1965** Report from Brisbane, July 27, of strange lights seen over RAAF Base at Amberley. Greenish in color, they hovered over the base between 7 and 7:15 p.m., reported by an Ipswich woman who, with neighbors, saw lights. At Wamura, 6 miles N of Caboolture, Mr. S. Childs reported a "satellite-like" object, or "bright star," move steadily over the horizon, then return to its original position.

UFO Refs. in SAUCER NEWS to S.A. reports, Dec. 1965 ed.

July 13, 1965 - Asuncion, Paraguay: Five people in jeep see 3 UFOs with rows of lights or lighted windows; alternating colors. (P. 16.)

July 17, 1965 - Colonia, Uraguay: Six teenagers see object with legs land by Rio de la Plata, call other witnesses who watch it hover 30 ft. over water; blinding light. (P. 19.)

July 19, 1965 - Chanaral, Chile: Red, top-shaped object heard, seen landed briefly on beach. (P. 19.)

NLT July 22, 1965 - San Pablo, Brazil - Simultaneous radar-visual sighting. (P. 17.)

July 23, 1965 - Buenos Aires, Argentina - Red & green object seen flying over city. (P. 19.)

NLT July 29, 1965 - Lima, Peru: UFO with flashing green light seen to land in parking lot; arm-like trunk. (P.25.)

August 1, 1965 - Near Lima, Peru:- 15-year-old boy reports UFO landed on roof; frog-like occupant seen. (P. 24.)

August 2, 1965 - Llan Lanquihue, Chile: Large group of people see UFO land, take off when they approach; burnt area remaining. (P. 24.)

Sept. 10, 1965 - San Joao (Pernambuco), Brazil: Field-hand sees three IM, two UFOs just overhead. (P. 24.)

Sept. 11, 1965 - Santa Barbara, Peru: Lt. Governor sees two IM who disappear in a flash; UFOs seen by many nearby. (P. 24.)

UFOs Seen In Windsor Area

WINDSOR (CP) — The weather office at the city airport here has been flooded with calls this week from persons who say they have seen fast-moving lights high in the heavens that either blink or are steady.

The sightings of what officials call UFOs (unidentified flying objects) have been reported during the last three days from as far away as Leamington, 40 miles southeast of here; to Amherstburg, 15 miles south, as well as in neighboring Michigan state. Most persons say their sightings have been around 9:15 p.m.

A weather office spokesman said early today that weather balloons are sometimes released at about 6 p.m. but they do not carry lights and could not be seen after dusk. He had no other explanation for the sightings.

St. Catharines Standard. Friday, July 23, 1965. Page 10

TORONTO DAILY STAR, TORONTO MONDAY, JULY 26, 1965, P. 1

METRO EDITION (INITIAL EDITION)

STAR-LIKE OBJECTS FLASH ACROSS OUR SKY

Star-like objects which flashed across the sky about 10 p.m. Saturday night were seen by several Metro residents. Some saw them again about 11 p.m. last night.

Residents in Etobicoke, Toronto and Scarboro phoned The Star about the objects which they said were blue-white and flashing but disappeared in less than a minute.

George Dawber, of Laird Dr., Leaside, who taught celestial navigation in the RCAF in World War II, said the light of the object changed in intensity as it crossed the skies. Another was seen by the Dawbers seven minutes later Saturday night. Mr. Dawber and his son, George Jr., saw the light again Sunday night. Mr. Dawber said it couldn't have been an airplane or shooting star.

Officials at Toronto International airport didn't see the objects.

INCIDENT ~~not~~ 8/[illegible]/65 - SEE MOSELEY'S SAUCER NEWS, DEC 1965, P 2 5

Paper and date not noted on clipping, but probably from La Nacion, Buenos Aires, Argentina. Dateline probably August 4, 1965.

Lima, Aug. 4 (AP)—The police say that the "case of the flying saucer" reported by 15-year-old student Alberto San Roman Nunez, "is a falsehood."

The student fell into a series of contradictions, according to the police. They say that the marks found on the (azotea - threshing floor - farmyard ?) of his house had been made by the rim of an automobile wheel.

N.Y. News 7/29/65

Peru Reports Saucers, and Pilot 3 Ft. Tall

Lima, July 28 (Explor)—

Bright, Flashing Object

Evening Times

29 NOV 1968

Saucers fly into limelight again

THE main topic of conversation in Mexico recently was an exciting one, and one which has caused much controversy over the years.

By ERIC KENNEDY

Lack of data

Fiery trail

Revolving

Pyramids

Resume of South American Sightings

Caracas, 29 July 1965--(Ultimas Noticias)--Another flying saucer over the sky of Caracas. The appearance of new flying saucers was announced yesterday by a family residing in the [illegible] development. They stated that they saw a silver disc flying at high velocity over [illegible]. Mr. L. [illegible] Betancourt demonstrated the area of the sighting for our reporters.

Lima, 28 July 1965--(AFP)--An employee of the [illegible] Electrical Co. has written an article in the newspaper La Prensa in which he vividly recounts his experience yesterday with a flying saucer. He relates that it was more or less 3:30 a.m. when he heard a strange sound. He investigated and was dumbfounded to find that the cause of the sound was an object 3 to 4 meters wide, similar to a tank, but circular, with holes in all parts, as if it was a Swiss cheese. The lights it gave off were intermittent. On the top portion a tower which wobbled constantly, and from which a type of shaft or arm moved in all directions, was seen. It gave the impression of being the eyes of the object.

ARGENTINE ALSO OBSERVE SAUCER

San Sebastian, 28 July 1965--(AFP)--Thousands of persons yesterday saw an unidentified luminous object which remained stationary in the sky for 20 minutes, over the beach. After this the saucer disappeared toward the sea. The object had a slight triangular shape, extremely brilliant, and was surrounded by a bluish glow.

Caracas, 30 July 1965--(Ultimas Noticias)-- [illegible], 29 July (From our special correspondent) Three luminous circles, which very well could be flying saucers, were captured by radarscopes at [illegible] Airport, close to the main runway. The phenomenon occurred at 7:30 p.m. during a class for control tower operators given in this city on the operation and use of radar. "If they were saucers or not I cannot be sure." I can only say they were strange bodies which were on the radarscopes. They had a slightly elongated shape, like a cigar, but with a bulge in the center."

Caracas, 1 August 1965--(Ultimas Noticias)-- Flying Saucer Passes by Cumana (INPRE, Cumana, 31 July)
Shortly after 11 p.m. last night a luminous object which crossed the sky from east to west at tremendous speed was seen over Cumana. The strange object was seen by various people as they left one of the theatres of this city. The object gave off yellow lights similar to a flying saucer surrounded by flames. The object, which crossed the sky over Cumana, was reportedly seen a few minutes before in the town of Lecheria, in Anzoategui state.

Newark Advertiser
Newark, Noda.
29 AUG 1965

We're on busy line for flying saucers

4 reports: 7/16 7/19 7/27 8/1

Pilotes de personas vieron en España un plato volador

The 'Saucers' Still Flying

Reports to BBC

Scout along

Mars closer

POLICE IN MIDWEST REPORT ON 'SAUCERS'

THE NEW YORK TIMES, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 1965.

NEW YORK POST, MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 1965

Saucer Man Sets a 'Date'

THE NEW YORK TIMES, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 1965.

OBJECTS IN SKY

OVNI OVER HONDURAS, VENEZUELA AND MEXICO

Tegucigalpa, Aug 4, (AFP)--Various residents of the Honduran town of Olanchi say that they saw clearly, night before last, three flying saucers, one of which was travelling northward and the other two toward the northeast. Olanchi belongs to the [illegible] western department of Santa Barbara.

From another locality, a farmer in the village of Zacral, in eastern Honduras also claims to have seen, in the middle of last week, an object which gave off colored lights.

Civil aviation personnel have questioned the truth of these reports.

Caracas, Aug 4 (AFP)--Flying saucers are visiting Venezuela. In the city of Coc, Barinas, Maturin and San Carlos, in the eastern and western parts of Venezuela, people in the country and in the city say that they saw strange luminous objects, some in the shape of saucers and others elongated, traversing the sky at great speed.

A farmer in Maturin says that he saw something like a flying saucer descend (a bastante distancia) from where he was; and that when he went the next day, out of curiosity, to the place where he lost sight of the saucer, he saw that a good number of trees had the branches cut off. The saucer had supposedly flown away (El platillo, por supuesto, habia levantado ya el vuelo).

Mexico, Aug 4 (AFP)--Flying saucers seem to have made an appearance over the City of Mexico, according to stories published today by the afternoon paper "El Universal Grafico" in the capital city. The paper says that Atilano Camacho, a farmer of Milpa Alta, a small town on the outskirts of the capital, was awakened by the noise that his livestock were making. When he went into the farmyard he could see the object: (flandgano) flaming, round, with greenish-blue brilliance, and giving off a (rara - thin, strange) vibration.

Frightened, Atilano called to the other members of the household, who also saw the manoeuvres of the strange machine, which [illegible] it was hard to confuse with an aircraft because of the way it moved. The saucer moved away at one point (se alejo un momento) in the direction of Tecpacalo, west of Mexico (City ?) to circle over the capital itself (para volver sobre la propia capital) . Finally it was lost in the skies at a dizzying speed.

LIMA 4, (AP) The police inform that the case of a flying saucer reported by the student Alberto San Roman Ramos, 15, was false.

OVNI sobre Honduras, Venezuela y México

TEGUCIGALPA, 4 (AFP). — Varios habitantes de la población hondureña de Gualala afirman haber visto claramente anteanoche tres platillos voladores que se dirigían, uno hacia el Norte y los otros dos hacia el Nordeste. Gualala pertenece al departamento occidental de Santa Bárbara.

Por otra parte, un campesino de la aldea El Zarzal, en el oriente de Honduras, aseguró también haber visto a mediados de la semana pasada un objeto que despedía luces de colores.

Los funcionarios de la aeronáutica civil han puesto en duda la veracidad de estos informes.

En Venezuela

CARACAS, 4 (AFP). — Los platillos voladores visitan a Venezuela. En la ciudad de Coo, Barinas, Maturín y San Carlos, es decir, en el este y oeste de Venezuela, gente del campo y de la ciudad aseguran que vieron extraños objetos luminosos, en forma de platillos unos y alargados otros, que surcaron los aires a gran velocidad.

Un campesino de Maturín afirma que vio cómo un platillo volador descendió a bastante distancia de donde él se hallaba y que cuando al día siguiente fue por curiosidad al lugar en que perdió de vista al platillo comprobó que buen número de árboles tenían las ramas cortadas. El platillo, por supuesto, había levantado ya el vuelo.

En México

MEXICO, 4 (AFP). — Los platos voladores parecen haber hecho su aparición sobre la ciudad de México, según datos que recoge hoy el vespertino "El Universal Gráfico", de la capital. El diario indica que Atilano Camacho, un campesino de Milpa Alta, pueblito aledaño a la capital, fue despertado por el ruido que hacían los animales domésticos. Al salir al corral pudo ver el objeto: fluminoso, redondo, que lanzaba resplandores verdiamles y dejaba oír una rara vibración.

Atemorizado, Atilano llamó a sus familiares, que también vieron las evoluciones del extraño aparato, difícilmente confundible con un avión por la forma cómo se movía. El platillo se elevó un momento en dirección a Zempoala, al occidente de México, para volver sobre la propia capital. Por fin se perdió vertiginosamente en las alturas.

Espectáculo extra

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, 4 (AFP). — Tres platillos voladores fueron vistos esta noche por más de 150 personas a la salida de un circo, en Santiago, durante veinticinco minutos.

Los objetos luminosos se movían muy alto, se detenían de repente y volvían a moverse, para luego apagarse poco a poco. Un periodista radial, llamado con toda urgencia, hizo un reportaje directo sobre la extraña visión y se sacaron fotos.

También anoche, en el cerro Chena, a unos diez kilómetros de Santiago, numerosas personas, entre las cuales había varios militares de la Escuela de Infantería de San Bernardo, vieron un aparato extraño, que se posó por espacio de 45 segundos sobre el cerro. Los testigos opinaron que la extraña máquina aérea era de un fuerte color claro, de blanco a plateado, intensamente luminoso y de forma alargada.

Por primera vez, instituciones oficiales chilenas, como los carabineros y el servicio de investigaciones, tomaron cartas en el asunto para investigar su veracidad.

Impostura

LIMA, 4 (AFP). — La policía informó que el "caso del platillo volador" mencionado por el estudiante Alberto San Román Núñez, de 15 años, "es una fábula".

El estudiante incurrió en una serie de contradicciones, según la policía. Agregó que las marcas encontradas en la azotea de su casa fueron hechas con el aro de una rueda de automóvil.

Paper and date not specified, but probably La Nacion, Buenos Aires, Argentina. Dateline probably August 4, 1965

Santiago de Chile, Aug. 4 (AFP)--Three flying saucers were seen tonight by more than 150 people who were coming out of a movie in Santiago, for 25 minutes.

The luminous objects were moving at great heights, stopping suddenly and turning as they moved (? vulvian a moverse), then little by little they were extinguished. A radio newscaster, summoned in great haste, made a first-hand report on the strange sight, and pictures were taken.

Also last night, on Cuesta Hill, about 10 km from Santiago, fascinating many people (numerous persons), including soldiers from the San Bernard Infantry School, saw a strange machine which hovered for 15 minute seconds over the hill. The witnesses were of the opinion that the object was a strong light color, silvery white, intensely luminous and of an elongated shape.

the police

For the first time, Chilean officials like [redacted] and the intelligence service took action to determine the truth of the matter.

UFOS-ETC SUDDENLY

Brief resume' of South American UFO Sightings reported recently:

TEGUCIGALPA, 4 (AFP)., Various inhabitants of the Honduran town of Gualala claim to have clearly seen 3 flying saucers last night, one headed North and the other 2 Northwest. Gualala is in the Eastern part of Santa Barbara State.
In another area, a peasant from El Zarzal, Eastern Honduras, also affirmed having seen the passage of an object giving off colored lights at midnight. Civil Aeronautics authorities doubt the truth of these accounts.

CARACAS, 4, (AFP) In both the East and West of Venezuela, in the towns of Coc, Barinas, Maturin & San Carlos, peasants and city dwellers alike reported to have seen strange, luminous objects, in the shape of saucers, crossing the skies at high velocity.
A peasant at Maturin observed an object descend, at a distance. When he checked the area the next day, he stated that a number of trees had had their branches cut, but the object was no longer there.

Mexico, 4 (AFP) Flying Saucers have appeared over Mexico City, according to the paper "El Universal Grafico". Peasant Atilano Camacho, of Milpa Alta was awakened by noises from his animals. Reaching the corral, he saw the object; gleaming, round, giving off blue-green lights, with a sound of rare vibrations.
SANTIAGO DE CHILE, 4, (AFP)... Three flying saucers were seen last night by more than 150 persons, as the left a movie theater in Santiago, for 25 minutes. The luminous objects were moving at high altitude, then hovered and moved again, then dimmed, little by little. A radio reported made a direct report, and photos were taken. For the first time, official Chilean institutions received reports & letters to investigate.

UFO SIGHTED BY NATIONAL GUARDSMEN AT PUNTA DE VACAS, MENDOZA
The Object, Which Emitted Rays of Brilliant White Light, Covered 8 Minutes at High Altitude

Mendoza, 6 August 1965--Personnel of the National Guard serving at the Punta de Vacas squadron, in Cordillera, of the Andes, and near the International Highway from Mendoza to Santiago, Chile, Thursday evening observed a UFO moving in a southeast direction. The first observation was made by Sgt. 1st class Esteban Serrano. Later the sighting of this UFO was confirmed by Corporal 1st class Eduardo Gil and Corporals Ruben Angulo and Miguel Gallegos, and the guards Nicolas Rodriguez, Ruben Soto, Romulo Fernandez and Francisco Flores. The object seen emitted strong rays of white-colored light and hovered 8 minutes motionless at considerable altitude over Punta de Vacas. It later continued its high speed flight toward the southeast.

Details of these observations were sent by the guard to the Sec'y of Aeronautics, in whose charge the compilation of data on the appearance of these strange objects rests.

It was not possible to obtain additional information in Mendoza about the details of the object seen in Punta de Vacas. (Due to difficulties of relaying long descriptions by means of radiogram.)

Official Report

A release from the Press Dept. of the National Guard at the Capital made the following statement: "The Punta de Vacas National Guard Squadron based in the location of Mendoza reported that yesterday, at 19 (hours) a UFO was sighted moving in a southeast direction. The observation of 8 minutes duration was corroborated by personnel serving in the Guard in the cited area."

Observation in Mendoza

Mendoza, 6 August 1965--It was later learned that an observation similar in effect to the first (at Punta de Vacas) occured in this city. Mr. Justino Vidal Riveros, of 2745 Olascoaga St., Mendoza, stated that he saw, a little before dusk yesterday, a flying object in the shape of a thimble, which while remaining stationary in space emitted a white light which changed to reddish tones when the object began to move. The observation of Mr. Riveros was confirmed by his daughters Delida and Marta Socorro. The sighting was made at 6:35 p.m., before sunset.

Guatemala, 6 August 1965--(AFP)--A flying saucer was sighted flying over the capital of Guatemala for the first time, according to information released last night by the evening paper El Gratico of this city. The saucer, according to the paper, was sighted last night at 18.45 local time by city policemen Eligio Muñoz and his family. He was resting in his house before dark when he saw a silent, luminous object coming from the north at high speed. He called his parents and his wife commented: "It's probably a satellite--probably one of those sent up by the Russians, or the Gringos." The object crossed the skies above the capital at high velocity toward the south, disappearing at the horizon.

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MENDOZA (ARGENTINA) La Nacion Aug 8, 1965: A UFO was seen in the sky over Mendoza, in the Cordillerana area, for the second time in 24 hrs. Shortly after the observation made by police personnel, last thursday, Station Chief P.T. Farias, of the Polvaredas railroad station saw what he described as a "ball of fire", flying over the area as if it were "making a reconnaissance of the area". The first UFO observation at Polvaredas was made by a station assistant on duty friday, who awoke Mr. Farias, who was absorbed in watching the strange maneuvers of the object for two or three minutes, with the assistant.

Later it was learned that on the 9 of July in Mendoza, Dr. Jose I.Correa Llano, a local lawyer, spotted other UFO's. Dr. Correa LLano obtained a photograph of the UFO, which had a small, luminous and diffuse tail., The photo was published by a local paper.

The number of sightings in this zone has caused UFO's to be the main topic of conversation of the people of the Valley of Uspallata. Each person has his own theory about the luminous objects and they have come to agree that " in some area of the Cordillera there is probably a base of these objects.

Santa Fe Information received from the city of San Javier indicates that a UFO was observed yesterday at 19:30 by various inhabitants.

Un nuevo OVNI ha sido avistado en el cielo cuyano

MENDOZA. — Por segunda vez en 24 horas fue visto en el cielo de Mendoza, en la zona cordillerana, un objeto volador no identificado. Todo, después de la observación realizada por personal de Gendarmería, el jueves último, el jefe de la estación Polvaredas, del Ferrocarril Trasandino, Sr. Pedro Farías, vio lo que calificó como "una bola de fuego" que se desplazaba por sobre los cerros vecinos, como si estuviera —dijo— haciendo un reconocimiento de la zona". La primera observación del OVNI en Polvaredas fue realizada por un auxiliar de la estación que estaba de turno el viernes a las 23, e inmediatamente despertó al señor Farías, quien durante dos o tres minutos quedó absorto admirando los raros movimientos del aparato, en compañía de su ayudiar. Luego de una breve conferencia sobre los cerros que rodean la estación Polvaredas, el OVNI siguió rápidamente su vuelo en dirección al Norte.

Posteriormente se supo en Mendoza, que el 9 de julio el doctor José Ignacio Correa Llano, abogado local, vio otros presuntos objetos voladores mientras realizaba una excursión a Uspallata. El Dr. Correa Llano obtuvo una fotografía del OVNI, en la que se observa un trazo luminoso pequeño y difuso. La fotografía fue entregada por Correa Llano para su publicación a un diario local.

Mientras tanto, la multiplicidad de informaciones sobre presuntos objetos voladores vistos en la zona ha avivado la imaginación de los pobladores del valle de Uspallata, en donde los OVNI son ahora el tema predominante de todos los días. Cada vecino tiene ya su teoría sobre los objetos luminosos y se ha llegado a afirmar que "en algún lugar de la Cordillera, habría una base de estos aparatos".

La versión se consigna, por supuesto, y dicho sea de paso apócrifa pinforma, por cuanto no existe en absoluto el menor indicio de verosimilitud.

Por una ciudad de Santa Fe se avistó un OVNI

SANTA FE. — Informaciones recibidas de la ciudad de San Javier, cabecera del departamento del mismo nombre, señalan que ayer a las 19.30 varios vecinos observaron el paso de un OVNI con dirección al Norte.

El artefacto desconocido despedía una extraña luminosidad, que fue la causa de que llamara la atención de un grupo de personas, que observó su fugaz paso por el cielo. Es ésta la segunda vez que se observa en el firmamento santafecino uno de esos objetos voladores que tantos comentarios han ocasionado en nuestro país y en el Uruguay últimamente.

CARACAS, 12 (AFP) Various flying saucers were spotted by Venezuelan reporter at Maiquetia Airport. The reportes revealed that they had observed a strange object which moved Eastward at high velocity, possibly at the level of the peak of Naiguata, but disappearing in seconds. The reporters stated that the sighting caused much confusion among those present at the airport, and the local radio station, Radio Aeropuerto, immediately interviewed witnesses

Vieron en Caracas platos voladores

CARACAS, 12 (AFP). — Varios platos voladores fueron vistos por periodistas venezolanos en el aeropuerto internacional Maiquetía.

Los periodistas revelaron que habían observado un extraño objeto que, a gran velocidad y muy alto, se desplazaba hacia el Este, posiblemente al nivel del pico Naiguatá, pero que en pocos segundos desapareció.

Luis Bisval, fotógrafo del diario "El Universal" y los camarógrafos Elías Mújarre y Carlos Duarte manifestaron que la presencia del extraño aparato causó profundo revuelo entre las numerosas personas que se encontraban presentes. Posteriormente y casi inmediatamente la emisora local, Radio Aeropuerto" efectuó entrevistas entre los presentes, preguntando sobre lo presenciado.

"NO LO PUBLIQUE, PERO VI UN PLATO VOLADOR Y NO QUISE CONFESARLO..."

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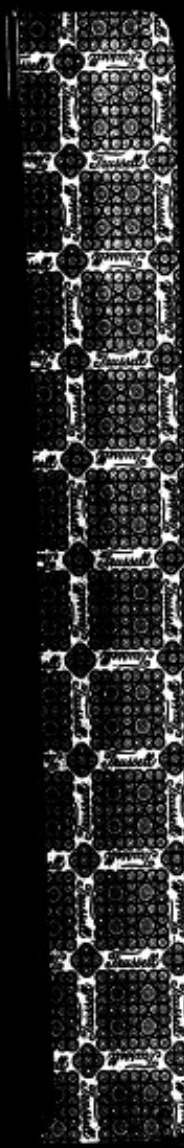

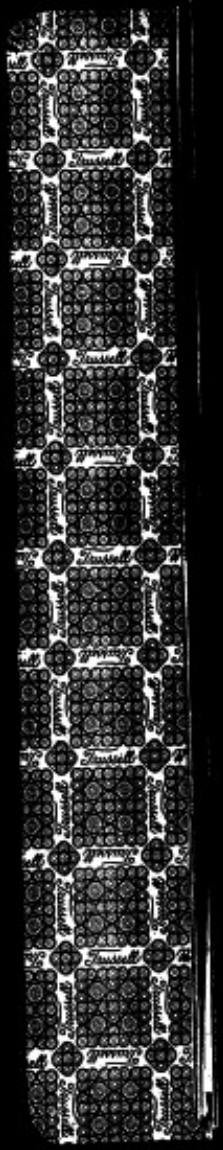

Un plato volador ha sido visto en Montevideo

MONTEVIDEO, 18 (AP). — Un extraño objeto luminoso fue visto anoche por muchas personas en el cielo montevideano, por más de media hora. El matutino "El Bien Público", al informar sobre el particular, expresa que el objeto despedía un brillo rojizo incandescente.

El técnico del Observatorio Astronómico de Montevideo, Ramón Traverso, descartó la posibilidad de que se tratara de un objeto volador no identificado. Dijo que todo indica que se trata del planeta Venus.

Precauciones en México

MEXICO, 18 (AP). — Hoy se dieron órdenes a la torre de control del Aeropuerto Internacional de mantener la vigilancia, ante la aparición de platos voladores.

Se informó que cientos de personas declararon haber visto platos voladores, o algunos objetos extraños en esa zona.

En El Salvador

SAN SALVADOR, 18 (AP). — Adrián Roberto Aldana, fotógrafo de "La Prensa", declaró que anoche captó, desde la azotea del edificio del periódico, fotografías de un extraño objeto volador.

Indicó Aldana que tomó las fotos a las 20.45 y que en ellas se ve claramente un extraño objeto luminoso, que por breves momentos estuvo inmóvil en el espacio a una altura aproximada de 600 metros. El objeto era muy luminoso, de forma ovalada y del tamaño aproximado al de una media luna llena.

En Gran Bretaña

LONDRES, 18 (AFP). — Los platos voladores han hecho su aparición en el cielo de Gran Bretaña, donde hasta ahora pocas veces se habían advertido movimientos de objetos aéreos insólitos.

Un misterioso objeto volador, que surcaba el cielo sobre la Isla de Wight y que volaba en forma irregular, fue observado detenidamente por una pareja londinense que pasaba sus vacaciones en esa isla veraniega del sur de Gran Bretaña.

ALERT IN MEXICO

Mexico, 18 August 1965--(AP)--Orders were given to personnel of the control tower at International Airport to maintain a vigilance for the appearance of flying saucers today. Hundreds of persons declared they had seen flying saucers, or some strange objects, in this area.

London, 18 August 1965--(AFP)--- A London couple vacationing on the Isle of Wight reported seeing a mysterious flying object ploughing through the sky on an irregular course.

SUN-HERALD, AUSTRALIA, AUGUST 22, 1965

MYSTERIOUS CITY LIGHT "DIN LIKE THUNDER" - on 8/16

(Caption under two photographs: A professional photographer took these strange pictures of a brilliant white light moving over Manly this week - gf).....

The photographer, Mr. Frank Burke, of "The Sun-Herald" staff said: "It looked for all the world like a semi-trailer lit up.

"This effect came from a cluster of four to five small red lights which appeared to outline the white light."

The light, which appeared for about three minutes at seven o'clock on Monday night, hung motionless for almost a minute and Mr. Burke was able to run inside for his camera and make two exposures.

The light then moved slowly northwards accompanied by loud engine noise unlike either a jet or helicopter engine.

The light, shown in relationship to a cloud bank, has moved northwards in the second picture on the right.

At first Mr. Burke thought the light was a low-flying aircraft, a helicopter or a flare.

But the light was much too bright to be the navigation lights - as the pictures show.

'DARK SHAPE' - If the light had been a flare it would have dropped slowly, Mr. Burke said.

Instead the light appeared to have kept a constant altitude before it disappeared from sight.

An RAAF spokesman told "The Sun-Herald" he had not checked definite flight schedules for Monday night but it was "extremely unlikely" that the light had been an AF plane.

Describing the "pool of light," Mr. Burke said: "What I couldn't understand was the red lights which seemed to surround the centre white light.

"At first I thought it must have been a Vulcan bomber because I thought I could pick out a dark V shape behind the light.

"But if it was a plane it must have been the slowest aircraft in the world

Mr. Burke's son, Kimbal, 12, said: "I was sitting looking out of the window when I saw the light in the sky.

"I watched it for three minutes altogether.

'LOW, SLOW' - "It just moved across the sky - like a slow plane. As it went above our house there were lights on all parts of it.

"There were red ones and a few white ones too.

"It made a noise like a plane, a very thundering noise.

"Personally, I think it could have been a plane, but because it was so low and slow it could have been a UFO too."

FOOTNOTE: Mr. Burke took his photographs on 35mm. Tri-X film with an f1.4 50mm. lens wide open at half a second. The camera was hand held, causing slight blurring of lights in the photograph. The photograph shows the lights of Manly and the lights od the Eastern Suburbs above them to the right.

(Sorry, Got no pixs to send along - gf)....

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OVNI en foto

SAN SALVADOR, 20 (EFE). — La fotografía de un plato volador, publicada hoy por la prensa, ha causado verdadera sensación en este país y los demás de la América Central.

La vista fue tomada por Adrián Roberto Aldana, ganador gráfico que ganó en 1964 el premio SIP - Mergenthaler.

La señora Elizabeth Kattinger de Rodríguez, de la Comisión Nacional de Investigaciones de Fenómenos Aéreos, que tiene su sede en Washington, bajo la dirección del científico norteamericano Donald E. Keyhoe, expresó: "Doy fe que la foto es auténtica. Extraños objetos voladores cruzan nuestro firmamento: Estos OVNI, a mi juicio, proceden de otros planetas y sus tripulantes, en consecuencia son seres ultraterrestres".

Afirmó la señora Rodríguez haber visto objetos voladores desde el miércoles de la semana anterior en el sector noreste de la ciudad. Expresó: "Son en forma circular aunque algunas veces dan la impresión de óvalos, y despiden Rayos de color rojo-amarillo y blanco fosforescente".

Un hijo suyo, Juan José, de 14 años, hace pocos días al despertar en horas de la madrugada divisó por la ventana de su habitación "como a 200 metros sobre el suelo, un extraño objeto en forma de cigarro que lanzaba luces de colores. Seguidamente dicho objeto arrancó en vuelo vertical y desapareció".

La fotografía ha despertado aún más curiosidad de la que ya existe entre los habitantes de esta ciudad como consecuencia de la racha de objetos voladores que han sido observados desde hace varias noches en distintos rumbos.

THE DAILY OKLAHOMAN
2N Thurs., August 19, 1965

Flying Saucers Stories Topped

BUENOS AIRES (Reuters) — An Argentine newspaper Wednesday came out with a story to top the big crop of flying saucer sightings in Latin America. It told of a flying saucer base in the mountains.

The account in the Evening La Razon said almost every evening several saucers converge in a remote valley of the Cordoba Hills. They come after dusk, sometimes five at a time and hover near the ground, La Razon said.

UFO PHOTOGRAPHED

San Salvador, 20 August 1965--(AP)--The publication today of a photograph of a flying saucer has caused a trerendous sensation in this country and other nations of Central America. The photo was taken by Adrian Roberto Aldana, photographic editor, who won a prise in 1964, under the direction of the North American scientist (sic) Donald E. Keyhoe, stated: "I believe the photo is authentic. Strange flying objects cross our skies. These UFOs, in my opinion, come from other planets and their crews consequently are extra-terrestrial." Mrs. Rodsiguez affirmed having seen flying objects since Wednesday of the previous week in the northeast sector of the city. She stated: "They are of circular form, although at some times they give the impression of being oval and they give off red-yellou and white phosphorescent light." Her son, Juan Jose, 14 years old, a few days ago awoke in the early morning hours to see from the windou of his room "at about 200 meters off the ground a strange object, cigar-shaped, which gave off colored light. The object immediately resumed vertical flight and disappeared." The photograph has arousod even more curiosity than that which has existed among the inhabitants of this city as a consequence of the rash of observations of flying objects on various nights in different locations. The photograph was taken at 20.40 hours and shous clearly a strange luminous object. The object was very bright, oval-shaped, and about the size of a half-moon.

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Saucerie at night

THERE is no doubt that from time to time people in various parts of the world do see odd things in the sky at night. The question is whether they are necessarily "flying saucers."

Those who are sceptical will be delighted that something reported by Mr. J. Davies, of Garforth, near Leeds, has been explained by scientists at Slough, Bucks. It was not a saucer.

Mr. Davies saw a strange light travelling fast across the night sky, apparently in the Wetherby direction. He noted the time, 12.15 a.m. on August 21, and watched it for 20 minutes until is disappeared over the horizon. He had pinpointed its progress as it passed (apparently) close to the two eastern pointer stars of the Plough.

Radio Research at Slough checked with their records and were able to say that the object seen was the American satellite Echo II.

When it is remembered that there are about 40 manmade satellites aloft, Russian and American, including "debris" from space rockets, the chances that somewhere somebody can expect to see one are good and are a rational answer to all space-fiction talk of saucers. They amount to space-fact.

Still being sighted

Even so a report from Mexico City, where many accounts of saucers have been current, quotes the weekly magazine, Impacto, as recalling such sightings as long as 83 years ago. One observer very nearly used the word "saucer," he said he had seen 283 celestial bodies in under two hours, "very similar to flying plates."

More recently in south-west Mexico a "glowing saucer" was reported hovering motionless for two minutes "before darting away at high speed."

So it goes on. Recently in Santiago three scientists, one a Russian, are said to have agreed, in interviews, that there is "definitely something odd flying about." The Chilean professor, Gabriel Alvial, said there was scientific evidence that "strange objects visit our planet."

Russia's astronomer Baldi said "something unknown to our understanding is going around the earth," and Professor Angulia: "We are not alone in the universe."

Remembering what Hamlet said to Horatio, we can say that many things that man can imagine are capable neither of proof nor disproof. When, as in the Garforth case, there is disproof of the saucer theory by a valid explanation, we can only hope that those who talk so confidently about saucers will incline towards agnosticism. If one can be explained away so can others.

WESTERN DAILY PRESS & BRISTOL MIRROR
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Thing winks on eve of big quiz

Western Daily Press Reporter

Warminster today takes an official look at The Thing.

And The Thing may take an unofficial look at Warminster.

For it was at it again yesterday—jigging and winking—on the eve of the public meeting called at Warminster town hall to try and find out what it really is.

Latest witnesses are Mr. and Mrs. John Kirton, of Clifton, Nottingham.

They were sitting in their car waiting for friends at Shearcross, Crockerton, near Warminster.

UNCANNY

"I spotted what I at first thought was the winking red landing light of an aircraft," said Mrs. Kirton.

"As we watched it, however, we were rather disturbed—then amused—at its antics.

"It seemed to be jigging both up and down and back and fore rather swiftly losing height.

"My husband said it looked too big for an aircraft landing light but that—if it was—the plane must be looping-the-loop while landing.

"It then vanished from sight behind a ridge of trees by Shearwater and Longleat.

"We later mentioned it to the friends we were visiting, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sims, of Ferris Mead, Warminster, who pulled our legs about it.

"But it was a most uncanny and unusual sight."

SURVEY

No doubt [illegible]

Reading Spacecraft item 11/65 on 8/26/65

IN AND OUT OF SAUCERS

Partena Vegan writes from Mexico: "On August 27 Mexican TV showed moving pictures of a large squadron of saucers which hovered over the town of San Luis Potosi, near Guanijuato, the night before, for about 45 minutes. TV cameras had a real lark.

"Another person, in touch with the space people, as am I, was told the same thing I was (in effect): 'Yes we are here, and we are going to be seen more often, more easily and in greater numbers in all parts of your world. We wish to impress Mexico in particular with our craft of light in hope of shaking the image of the church out of the average Mexican mind.'"

Eastbourne Gazette

1 SEP 1965

MYSTERIOUS OBJECTS SEEN IN NIGHT SKY

MYSTERIOUS night-time objects—one of them was like a ball of fire—have been seen in the sky at Hampden Park, according to several eye-witness reports.

Employees at a factory on the Brampton-road Trading Estate reported the sighting of a strange fiery object, the shape of a ball, on Thursday evening, hovering in the sky in the direction of the Downs. A number of the factory's women employees who had just finished an evening shift were walking along Lottbridge-drove about 10 p.m. when they suddenly saw the mysterious object in the sky. It gradually got smaller and smaller until it was completely out of sight.

White substance

Mr Peter Hayward, of Brodrick-road, Hampden Park, has also claimed that he saw a strange sight in the sky last week, only this time the object was of a completely different nature from that seen by the factory employees.

He told the Gazette that while taking his dog for a walk one evening he noticed a white substance that appeared to be hovering vertically over the playing fields adjacent to Hampden Park Secondary Modern School. Later the "thing" moved into a horizontal position, he said.

Last year there were reports of what appeared to be the sighting of another ball of fire moving in a south-easterly direction over the new Port-road housing estate late one night. It appeared to be quite low down in the sky, people claimed.

A spokesman for the Royal Observatory at Herstmonceux said that there had been occasions when unidentified flying objects had been seen by members of the public, and reported to the Observatory. But he added that these reports had never been authenticated and had not been received during recent months. He said that it was usually a case of people mistaking perfectly ordinary flying objects for these things.

Footnote: Residents of Warminster, in Wiltshire, have become increasingly interested in flying saucers and other unidentified flying objects, since numerous reports of sightings over the town have been made over the past eight months.

Colorado

ROCKY MOUNTAIN NEWS, SUN AUG. 29, 1965

THE THINGAMAJIG - WARMINISTER, ENGLAND, AUG. 28 (UPI) - Hardly anyone in this small town in England's west country is taking the matter of the unidentified flying object lightly.

The "Thing", as it is called here, has been frightening townspeople for the past wight months.

As in most cases of other UFO's around the world, reports about the Warminister "Thing" vary.

Some who claim to have seen it say it lights up, emits weird noises and attacks with "savage soundwaves." Others describe it as long, and cigar-shape and capable of hovering.

The "Thing" has been blamed for several strange happenings in this area like killing rodents and pigeons and creating giant thistles (??) out of thin air.

One mother reported that her young daughter was partially paralyzed by sound waves emitted from the "Thing."

The dossier is thick with reports. And the Warminister City Council is holding a formal public inquiry into the matter tonight.

"My main object is to reassure people," Rees said. "If these things are from outer space, then they have never done any harm to anyone so far as is known. We want to get all the facts and clarify the situation."

The first report came in last December when Mrs. Joan Bye said she was hurled against a wall by "savage soundwaves."

About the same time, Roger Rump, 55, the Warminister postmaster, said he was awakened by loud noises which sounded "like tiles falling off a roof," Rump said his great aunt, who is partially deaf, also heard the clatter.

Evening Times
GLASGOW.
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THREE SCIENTISTS SAY—

'FLYING SAUCERS DO EXIST'

THREE scientists, one a Russian, agreed in interviews published in Santiago to-day that there is definitely something odd flying about in the world's skies these days.

"There is scientific evidence that strange objects visit our planet," said Chilean professor Gabriel Alvial.

He added "It is lamentable that the governments have drawn a veil of secrecy over all this."

Russia's Dr Mitrovan Zverev Saldi, who works at Chile's Cerro Calan observatory, said — "Something unknown to our understanding is going around the earth."

"We are not alone"

Commented Professor Claudio Anguita, the observatory director —"We are not alone in the universe."

All three were quoted by the newspaper "La Terceta de La Hora" after hundreds of reports in the Southern hemisphere in the past few months of unidentified flying objects being seen.

Professor Alvial, director of Chile's Cosmic Radiation Centre, was quoted as saying a university centre would be set up in Chile next year to study strange phenomena.

"The professor became well known in scientific circles several years ago when he announced discoveries that particles heavier than iron were contained in atomic radiation bombarding the earth.

Brilliant glow

In to-day's interview, he also disclosed a report that two technicians at the Cosmic Radiation Centre at Infiernillo in the Andes saw the mountains lit up one night by a brilliant orange glow.

Another "even more brilliant object" rose out of a nearby gully and then disappeared.

"We carried out a thorough investigation but without result, and we have filed the case under 'unexplained phenomena'," the professor added.

Bank man sees . . .

STRANGE OBJECTS IN SKY

THEY have been seen all over the world—UFOs. In the last few weeks there have been reports of them from all over this country.

Little did we know that they would show an interest in such a small place as Bangor. But they did.

Who are "they", in the UFOs? Unidentified Flying Objects is the title which they have been given—vague enough. It has to be vague, though, for nobody knows what they are!

"They" showed up in Bangor this weekend. It was on Sunday that thirty-nine-year-old Robert Jones of 56 Holyhead-road, Upper Bangor, saw a strange object from his front room window.

"It looked like a huge star," said Mr Jones. "There was no noise, and it was travelling at a moderate speed.

"I went out to the back and watched it for about ten minutes. It was then that I saw another object—this time much smaller—coming from the direction of Anglesey, and flying south at a terrific speed."

He continued: "I thought the two objects were going to collide, and they seemed to pass quite near to each other. The smaller object passed quickly, but I could still see the larger one, and I called my father who could not understand it either."

Mr Jones was so disturbed, and curious, that he telephoned R.A.F. Valley, and asked if they had spotted anything on their radar systems.

They investigated, and later in the week a spokesman said that nothing had been picked up and no planes had been flying at the time Mr Jones had seen the objects.

"It could have been a satellite", said the spokesman, "I believe that many people saw them as the weekend, as the sky was quite clear".

Was it a balloon, private aeroplane, or maybe an apparition? Mr Jones, a cashier at a Bangor bank, does not accept any of these explanations. He sticks to his original description: "It was like a huge bright star . . ."

—JIM HARRIS

Rugby Advertiser
Rugby, Warwickshire
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on 8/29

Rugby family spot mysterious 'thing'

Night sky object remains puzzle

A mysterious flying object that zig-zagged across the sky on Sunday night, and hung above the horizon for over an hour, has been seen by Mr. A. W. Thomas and his family, of "Cappoquin," Dunchurch Road, Rugby.

It could have been Echo 2, the American satellite which, according to a spokesman for the Ministry of Defence (Air), was visible on Sunday. But the spokesman could not account for the object's erratic movements.

There have been recent reports of a similar object, christened the "Thing," seen in various parts of the South.

"My 14-year-old daughter Sandra, who has been interested in this kind of thing for the past two years, first noticed it," said Mr. Thomas. "My wife and I, our two other children, and a neighbour, also saw it."

Mr. Thomas said the light from the object was equivalent to a star of the first magnitude, and rose from the sky east by south, moved to the zenith and travelled north by east.

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Most of the time it travelled in a straight line, but occasionally moved jerkily from side to side. It finally hung in the sky not far above the horizon, where it remained for an hour. Then the six watchers went to bed.

"It moved at a steady speed, approximately twice as fast as a satellite in angular movement, but it could not have been one of those, in view of its change of course and jerky movement" said Mr. Thomas.

"It was certainly an UFO (unidentified flying object), although of what type I would not like to say. It was definitely something very abnormal," he said.

At about the same time, two other unidentified flying objects were seen, claims Mr. Thomas.

Neither Rugby police nor Air Traffic Control, Royal Air Force, Caydon, have received any reports of unidentified flying objects this week.

The Cleveland Press
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Old "Thing" 'as Returned

"The Thing" is back in Warminster!

A group of English schoolboys who said they saw the mysterious unidentified flying object last night, described it as more 'orrible than ever.

"In a blinding flash of light it seemed to explode and divide into two brighter portions," said 14-year-old Christopher Robinson. "Either that or the first portion simply vanished and was replaced by two others."

The Thing, which other observers say lights up, emits weird noises and attacks with "savage soundwaves," has frightened Warminster for eight months.

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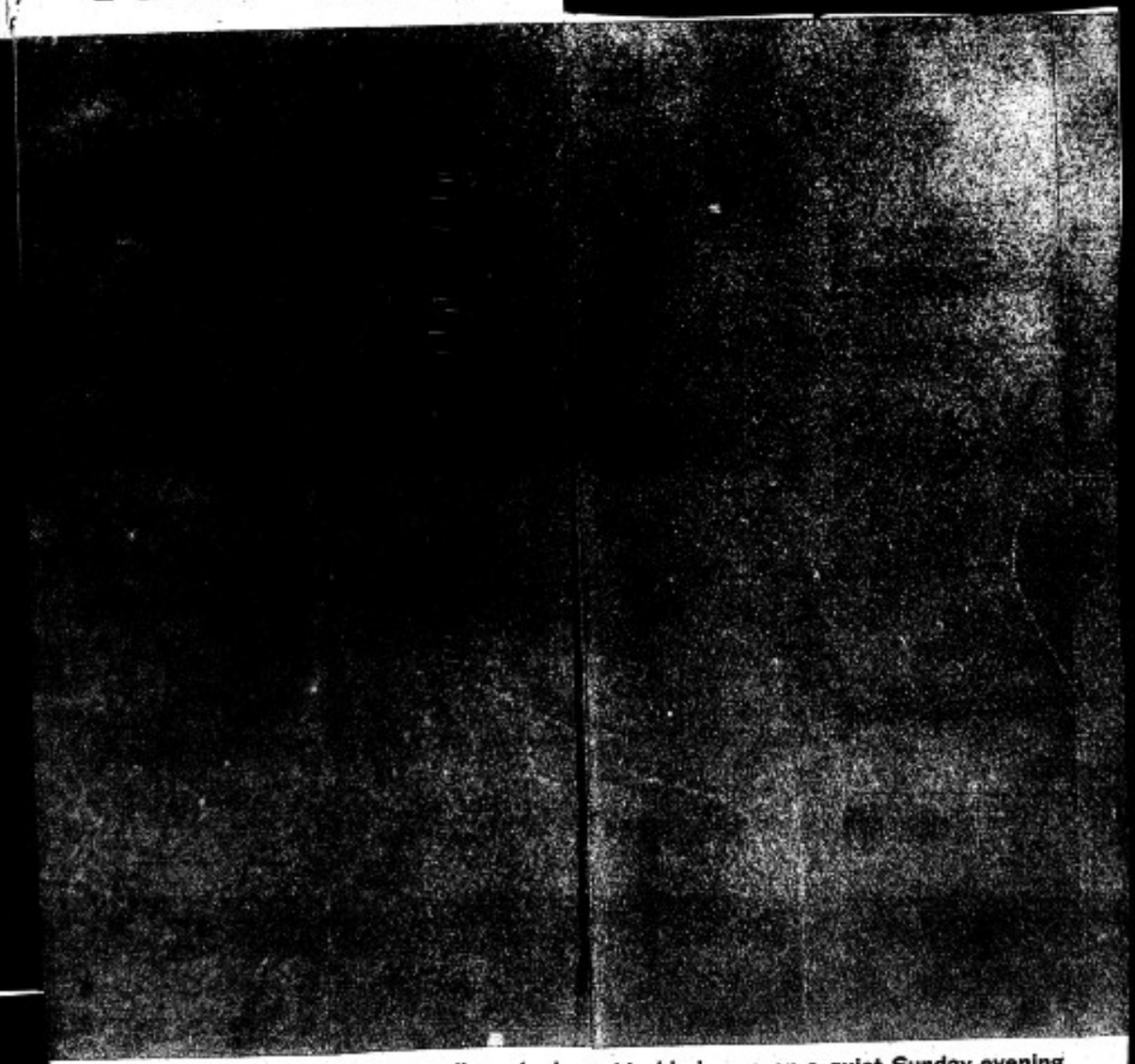
THE THING



This is the picture Gordon Faulkner took outside his house on a quiet Sunday evening in Wiltshire . . an eerie, silvery object flying low and soundlessly over Warminster

Daily Record and Mail
Glasgow
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Amateur photographer Gordon Faulkner who took these first pictures of The Thing, after months of strange phenomena being reported in the area.

● The object hovers above . . . like a giant eye looking upwards.

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Searchlight in the WEST

THING'S FLIGHT OF FANCY

It is time to talk about The Thing, which is succeeding the Moonrakers in Wiltshire folklore.

The Thing has so far brought in its wake exaggeration, scepticism, incredulity, mendacity, practical joking, and a dash of terror.

On Friday morning a new ingredient was added: A picture.

It was taken by Mr. Gordon Faulkner, a 28-year-old factory worker. On the negative it appeared as a speck.

It was published in the Daily Mirror on Friday, and appeared to conform with the normal shape of a flying saucer.

The published photograph surprised Mr. Edwin Till, the chemist who enlarged Mr. Faulkner's print, for he had been unable to understand it.

On Saturday the Daily Mirror printed a second picture of a Thing taken by a Mr. Roy Coombs in Surbiton.

Yesterday the newspaper told its readers that this was a hoax; that Mr. Coombs had made a model of a flying saucer and photographed it hung from a tree by cotton.

Mr. Faulkner insists his picture was genuine. Now all newspapers' art departments employ retouchers.

Their job is to sharpen outlines—where say a white-haired man's head is lost against the sky—and to paint over scratches.

We asked the Daily Mirror art editor if his experts had been enthusiastically employed on Mr. Faulkner's picture, and this is what he told us:

"Good gracious, no. The picture was produced from the original negative, and we didn't touch it up in any way.

"It is a standing order of the company not to retouch pictures, except for cutting out scratches and marks which might mar them—on a fashion picture, say."

Now flying saucers are not new. They have been sighted from time immemorial, and they have usually been meteors or shooting stars.

In 1953 Professor Donald Menzel of Harvard University published an exhaustive book on flying saucers.

Professor Menzel described how a pilot crashed to his death near Fort Knox while investigating "a metallic object of tremendous size, like an ice cream cone topped with red."

The professor dismisses pilots' sightings as reflections of snow or dust from the sun, or ice crystals reflected over an aeroplane's wing.

The Western Daily Press now passes its judgment on The Warminster Thing, and says: It does not exist.

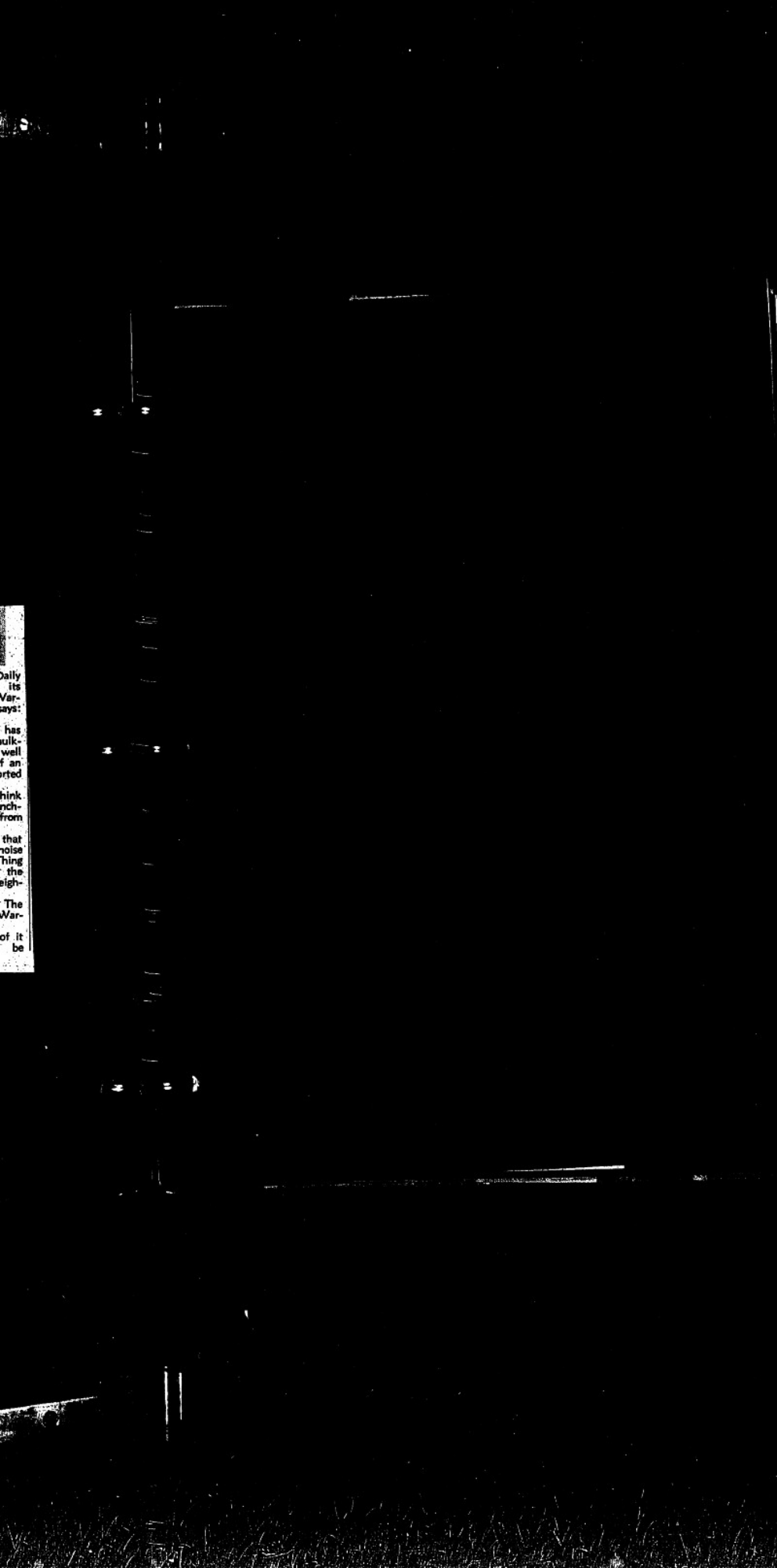
No radar screen has tracked it; Mr. Faulkner's picture may well prove to be that of an isolated, contorted cloud.

Neither do we think that the Army is launching strange objects from its nearby base.

But we do think that a lot of the noise attributed to The Thing comes either from the Army, and/or its neighbours the RAF.

In the meantime The Thing is good for Warminster trade.

Further reports of it can confidently be expected.



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A strange story of the goings-on in the skies above a country town

by ARTHUR SHUTTLEWOOD, Editor of the Warminster Journal (CIRCULATION 4,800) writing for the Daily Mirror (circulation 5,000,000)

WITH thirty years as a journalist behind me, I am chief reporter and Editor of the Warminster Journal, selling about 4,000 copies each Friday, yet avidly read by more than the town's population of 11,000.

Phoebe, 17½ a very tired editor to present day style of the week barely recovers breathable in a sunday town. Tired to a working week of 40 hours, this has soared to an average of over 80 during the past month alone.

Weird

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Truth

Pace

The man who took it

Last (expert) words..

Gordon snaps The Thing in the sky

By Peter Hiscocks

Gordon Faulkner, 23-year-old factory worker, was the toast of Warminster last night. For he has photographed The Thing.

Mr. Gordon Faulkner and his camera

Seen + photographed

Page 5 EASTBOURNE Saturday, September 29, 1962

District made famous by The Thing prepares for a rush of tourists

WARMINSTER GETS READY FOR 'INVASION'

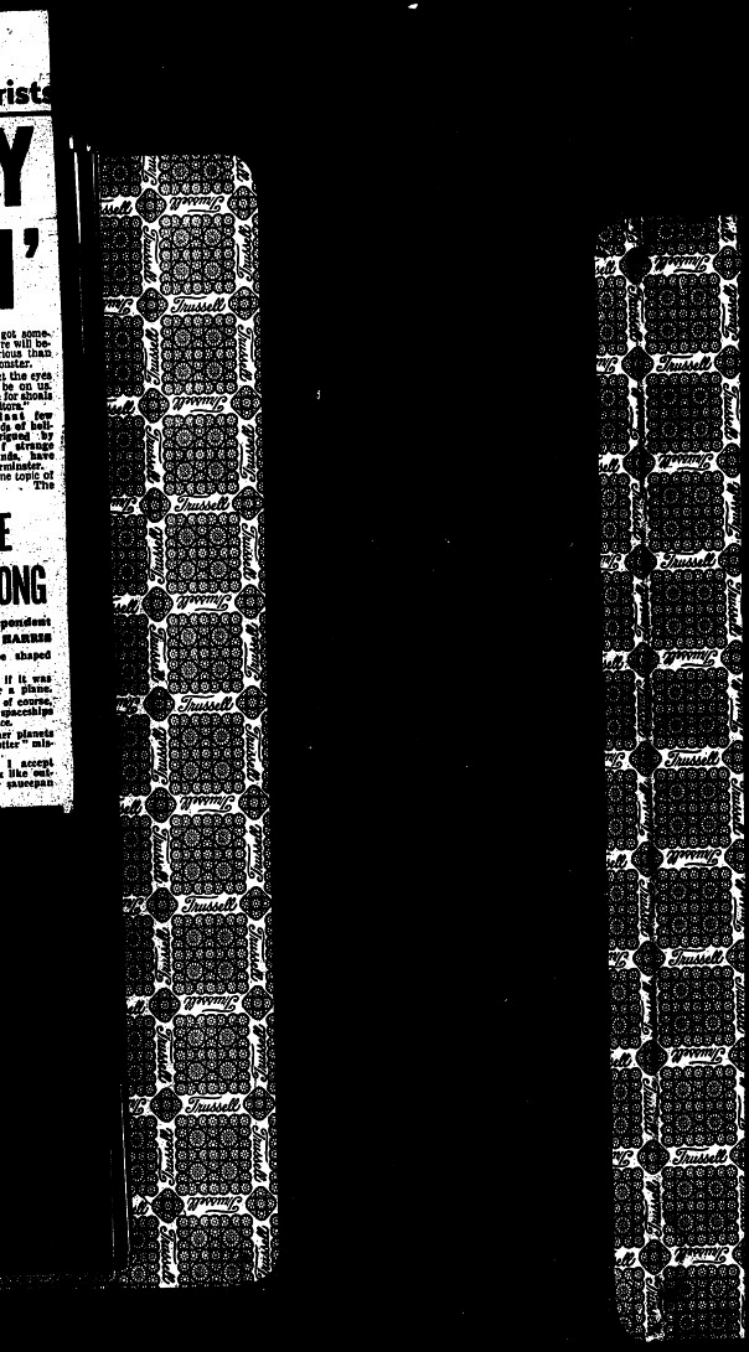
A thrill for the 'saucer' experts

THAT first picture of The Thing, published in yesterday's Daily Mirror, has obsessed the townsfolk of Warminster that they are about to be invaded.

THOSE 40 SATELLITES

THAT SHAPE IS ALL WRONG

The first picture of The Thing taken by Gordon Faulkner as it flies over Warminster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Daily Mirror
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. and for the second time a camera catches a mystery in the sky

The return of The Thing

AMATEUR photographer Roy Coombs, 33, was out cycling when he saw it . . . the strange Thing in the sky.

He jumped off his bike, quickly focused the camera he was carrying and took four pictures—one of which is shown on the left.

Roy, a servicing engineer, of Manjid-road, Battersea, London, saw the mysterious flying object at 2.30 on Monday afternoon while he was riding along the Portsmouth road, just south of Surbiton, Surrey.

He was on his way to Kingston upon Thames to take pictures of the boats on the river.

Roy said yesterday: "Suddenly I saw a glint in the sky. At first I thought it was a shooting star—or perhaps an aircraft crashing.

"Then I saw this shape, moving very fast, which seemed to skim across the sky from the East."

Roy, who has a £30 second-hand camera, added: "I don't claim that this is a flying saucer. I have an open mind on this subject. But what is it?"

Roy Coombs: "I saw this shape"

High above a road not far from London . . . the strange, fast-moving Thing in the sky that Roy Coombs saw.

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Nottingham.
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Window watch for mystery object

TWO Bilborough boys have reported seeing a mystery object in the sky.

Robert Whyld and Alan Tyres, both of Stotfield-road, said they saw a dark cigar-shaped object hanging below a belt of cloud.

"It was visible for only about 20 seconds, then it dipped out of sight," said 14-year-old Robert.

Last night the boys, with telescopes, were making an all-night vigil at their bedroom windows, in case the same thing became visible again.

The mystery object, which the boys first saw on Monday night, was also seen by Mrs. Elsie Tyres.

Robert, a pupil at the William Sharp Secondary School, added: "I've seen shooting stars and meteorites, and it wasn't either of those. And I'm pretty sure it wasn't a satellite."

Some time ago many Bilborough people claimed they saw strange discs in the sky.

WILTSHIRE TOWN'S OVERHEAD VISITORS FROM OUTER SPACE?

A CLERGYMAN, a detective and about 200 other people packed Warminster Town Hall last night for what may have been the first meeting of its kind in the country.

It was called in an attempt to clear up the mystery which has been troubling Warminster for the last eight months. If it did not succeed then at least it provided those present with a convincing apology for an extra terrestrial intelligence.

Witnesses have reported unidentified flying objects like "twin red hot pokers" or "cat's eyes" which have crashed and burned.

One person has likened the noise to that made by a refrigerator. And at Friday's meeting a Warminster woman told a large attentive audience bathed in television arc lights of the night she was wakened by the noise.

"I went to the bedroom window and saw this brilliant object quite low in the sky. It was travelling very slowly. I was shaking like a leaf and I went on for half an hour.

"I have never heard a sound like it before. It was like a brilliant star and I couldn't take my eyes off it."

'ALIEN BEINGS'

Chairman of the meeting was Group Engin Smet, chairman of Warminster Urban Council. With him on the platform was Dr. Cleary Baker, examining officer of the British Unidentified Flying Objects Research Association and editor of its journal, and the Rev. L. Ivay, Rector of Crockerton.

Dr. Baker told the meeting: "I think that most of us (the members of his Association) would say that merely on the basis of the evidence with which we are dealing this is the manifestation of an advanced technology from somewhere."

The craft were piloted by "alien beings."

He suggested that they were not interested in Warminster as such but in things like the War Department rocket research and the Chemical Warfare Establishment at Porton—and were using a large hill outside the town as a landing beacon.

There was no need for the townspeople to be frightened. Their investigations might be of "immense value."

"If you help us we may take a substantial step forward in understanding the universe in which we live," said Dr. Baker.

Before the meeting broke up those of the public interested in establishing a listening post on the Downs outside Warminster were asked to give their names to a member of the UFO Research Association.

The Sun
Limited, Bouverie House, London, W.C.2.
8 SEP 1965

What was it?

I WONDERED if my family and I had seen some kind of space craft on Tuesday (August 31), when between 10.15 pm. and 10.20 pm. we saw a bright, star-like object moving slowly across a very clear sky.

Mars was visible at that time, but the direction the object was travelling in does not coincide with Echo 1's direction, so maybe what we really did see . . .

MRS. N. HARVEY,
Rosmore Avenue, Fleetwood, Lancs.

The Radio Research station says: So far as we are told, it was not a satellite. We cannot say what it was.

THE SUN'S account of the recent Warminster "Phenomena" meeting quoted me as saying: "Little men from out of space are probably hovering over Britain. I neither said nor believe anything of the sort.

"Little men" stories, like much else that is sometimes advanced in the field of Unidentified Flying Object research, are mostly a pack of nonsense.

J. ALLAN HANEK, M.A., Research Unit, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, U.S.A.

MOST OF the reports of "flying saucers" and other mysterious objects in the sky can be explained quite accurately, but can they all be explained away? . . .

Ronald Bedford, Sun Science Editor, says: Ninety-five out of every 100 "flying saucer" sightings can be explained. But there are still the hard brains that have puzzled over them.

Wiltshire Times
Trowbridge

Cutting from issue dated 10 SEP 1965

NEW 'THING' OVER WARMINSTER

"The Thing" has been reported over Warminster again—but in a new form.

Mr. Alan Chapman, of 3 Beacon View, Warminster, said on Thursday last week that the night before he saw a group of lights moving across the sky from north-west to south-east.

There was a red winking light in the middle and three non-winking white lights on each side.

Using 10 by 50 night binoculars he was unable to see a definite shape behind the lights, but he got the impression it was round.

The Thing took three minutes to cross the sky. Mr. Chapman timed it with his watch. It seemed to weave from side to side just before going out of sight.

There was no sound.

Mr. Chapman is a 21-year-old blacksmith with R. Butcher and Son, the Warminster builders.

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Yorkshire Post
Leeds

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BLACKSMITH SEES 'THE THING'

MR. ALAN CHAPMAN, 21, a blacksmith, of Deacon-View, Warminster, Wilts., said last night he had seen something "very unusual" flying over the town.

"It was flying high up from north-west to south-east. There was no sound, although a plane made plenty when it went over shortly before. I saw a vivid red light flashing on and off. I got a close-up with my binoculars."

Mr. Chapman added: "Six white lights, shining continuously, were on either side of the flickering glow. I couldn't make out a distinct outline, but I would say it was circular. It seemed to be flying sideways, and moving at terrific speed.

"It crossed the whole sky, without dipping, in three minutes—then vanished before reaching the horizon. I timed it with my watch."

An expert at the London Weather Centre said yesterday: "There is no meteorological explanation for this. We don't know what it could be."

Recently, because some Warminster residents have claimed seeing unexplained objects in the sky, Mr. Emlyn Rees, Chairman of Warminster Urban Council, called a meeting "to reassure people there was no danger." More than 200 attended.

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Evening News
Cornelia House, Cornelia Street, W.1.
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LIKE SATELLITE

'Flying Saucer' Over London?

A "FLYING SAUCER" has been seen over London.

Three people saw the unidentified object—circular and very bright — speeding noiselessly across the night sky in the direction of Crystal Palace.

They were the Rev. Brian Hay and his wife Jennifer, of Whitmore Park, Minchem, and thirteen-year-old Mr. Frank Jenkins, of Kenfworth-avenue, Wrightsdon.

"I was in my back garden when I first caught sight of the thing," said I called the others out just to make sure my eyes weren't playing tricks with me," said Mr. Hay.

DIFFICULT

"It was high in the sky and it was difficult to see at what speed it was travelling. I thought perhaps it was a space satellite."

His wife fetched a telescope to study the unidentified flying object more closely.

"I couldn't believe my eyes," she said. "It looked like some sort of satellite," she said.

Said Mr. Jennings: "I never believed in things like flying saucers before — but this strange object was definitely real.

"It shone brightly and made no noise. It certainly wasn't an aeroplane. We followed it in the air for a full ten minutes . . . then it blacked out."

Sighting September 6, 1965, near Iquique, Chile
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FLYING OBJECT GIVING OFF BLINDING LIGHT NEARLY COLLIDES WITH A CHILEAN AIRCRAFT--PILOT SAYS 'NOW I BELIEVE IN THEM'

Santiago, Sept. 8 (Reuters)--By Francisco Cuintana

A solid object which gave off a blinding red light from its ventilator (?) and in its center had a cupola lit by a mercury-vapor-like light almost collided with a passenger airliner of the Chilean National Airlines, and after avoiding a collision came close to the plane and kept pace with it for several minutes, then departed at a tremendous velocity.

The event was reported by the crew of the plane and also by passengers who until that moment had been asleep in their seats.

The strange event happened the night before last (9/6) when a Douglas DC-6 of the Santiago-Arica Line was flying over the plains, after having left behind it Iquique, 850 kilometers away, from whose airport it had just departed. (Note: Iquique is 850 k. from Santiago; the plane was five minutes out of Iquique.)

The crew of the airliner, piloted by Marcelo Cisterna--one of the most experienced of the airline--flight engr. Segundo Molina, and co-pilot Manuel Rubio saw at 8500 feet (alt. of plane) an extraordinary lighted object which flew 1500 feet above them.

The pilot--as he declared later, after he had landed at Arica--thought at first that it was another aircraft and radioed the control towers at the airports of Arica and Iquique to check on other aircraft in the vicinity. The control towers answered that there were no other aircraft in the sky.

The pilot continued to insist by radio that about three kilometers away from the Douglas, at a little higher altitude, a lighted object was flying. The control towers at Arica and Iquique answered that they had no idea what it could be and that he (the pilot) should take precautions.

"Then," said the pilot, "I thought I was going to fall apart. In that moment the strange device, whose outlines were lost in the rosy light which illuminated it, came toward my aircraft at an incredible velocity, so those of us in the cabin were paralized with fear, seeing that a collision was imminent.

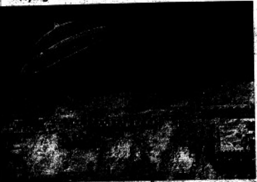
"Then I observed an incredible maneuver. It descended, passing underneath us, and then leveling off with us. For ten minutes it flew beside us, coming closer and moving away, until finally it gained altitude and disappeared toward the north. We did not inform the passengers what had happened in order to avoid panic and its consequences."

Pilot Cisternas (sic) added in his account, "unquestionably it was something mechanical. Its movements (maneuvers) seemed erratic. It quickly changed direction and came directly toward us, giving the impression that it had located us by radar. Never have I had a similar experience, and I've never believed in them, but today I had to change my mind, for I'm certain it was no apparition, nor the result of reflection or atmospheric refraction. I am sure it was a mechanical device."

Cisternas gave this account last night at the airport of Los Cerrillos after returning from his flight to Arica, and his account was interrupted when he said he had been urgently summoned by the executives of the airline who had been informed of the incident.

UN OBJETO VOLADOR QUE DESPEDIA LUZ ENCEGUECEDORA CASI CHOCO CON UN AVION DE LA COMPAÑIA CHILENA. EL PILOTO, "AHORA CREE"

Flying Saucers Over Basingstoke? . . .



'THE THING' HAS SHATTERED THE PEACE OF THIS WILTSHIRE MARKET TOWN

WARMINSTER

by DAVID ABBOTT

SOMETHING'S THERE . . . BUT THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS

STRANGE flying objects. Forces that pin people against walls and stop cars. Flocks of birds suddenly and mysteriously killing in flight. Bodies of mice riddled with holes.

These are a few of the weird experiences that have shattered the sleepy Wiltshire market town of Warminster in the last nine months.

In short — Warminster is in the grip of THE THING.

Many of the town's 11,000 inhabitants shrug their shoulders when The Thing is mentioned. But there is an unmistakable feeling of worry underlying doubt.

At shopkeeper Alex Gallagher explained: "We would like to think it doesn't exist. But most of us now realise it must be something. We just hope it's all to do with the naturally supernatural station near here."

But the serious cracks are creeping in here and behind newspaper offices are flooding with accounts of sightings and of odd occurrences.

Tourists of the town's most respected citizens have seen The Thing. Among them are the head caretaker, the vicar, doctors and businessmen.

On Sunday I visited Warminster. With me went Flying Saucer Review man John Douglas of 31, The Avenue, Basingstoke.

THE WORLD

Our first call was on 33-year-old factory worker Gordon Faulkner — whose recent picture of a flying saucer has been circulated throughout the world.

At his quiet semi-detached home in Pennyfarthing he told me: "I was just going out, taking my camera to my sister's, when I saw this object flying low across the sky.

"I managed to take one quick picture before it vanished out of sight. Actually I didn't dream I'd got anything on the film at all.

But when it was processed and returned, the result took even Mr. Faulkner by surprise. It showed clearly a saucer-shaped object right in the sky.

Mr. Edwin Hill, the chemist who developed the film, backs Mr. Faulkner.

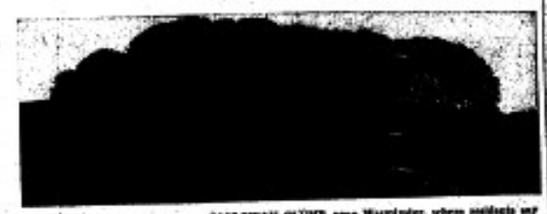
"There are none of the slight shadows that would give away a superimposition.

What was it Mr. Faulkner photographed?

"I would like to think it's something from one of the semi-research stations at Boscombe Down."

The picture has been in papers and on TV as far afield as America and Australia.

Immediately Mr. Faulkner became the centre of a storm. He was branded as a fraud. Ridiculed.



CALLOWAY CLUMP, near Warminster, where residents say they have seen flying saucers land. Eyewitnesses claim to have seen the machine rise from behind this spinney.

JOHN DOUGLAS (left) talks with Mr. Shuttleweed.

Questioned a now baffled Major Bill Hill: "I felt like jumping into the ditch. The noise made me think there was a jet out of control.

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The latest sighting involved a TA Major. For weeks he had packed his records' bags about "this going nonsense."

A few days ago he was a mile out of town, travelling at 40 m.p.h. Suddenly he heard the noise. At the same time his engine cut out.

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'GLOWING BOWL'

A couple of days before we visited the town Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hiscox of 21, Lodowicke, saw a big glowing bowl in the sky.

Government departments are in close touch with Shuttleweed. He says these, the latest information about The Thing.

He has been told by Faulkner's partner. It is understood they "dug it up" in the air of a distant plain during their exploration.

Shuttleweed has also had Russian scientists phoning him.

He believes there is something unusual manoeuvring in the sky — an object which changes colour — from that of an inside aspect.

The whole things very odd and strange," he admits. "I have a feeling this matter will be cleared up in a very short time."

Shuttleweed has a theory that these space visitors — if that's what they are — are trying to find out if we are hostile to us.

But he is certain of one thing — whatever it is, it means no harm.

Why? Simply because, Warminster would be the greatest target for attack.

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Did he destroyed it all when asked to address a public meeting on the mystery. As Abbe Gallagher remarked: "All that anybody proved was that we need a little rest."

Mr. Hiscox rejected the weather was an inversion and had not the object" but a different explanation.

But he told me: "From the evidence I studied I'm convinced the whole phenomena is extra-terrestrial."

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SECLUDED

The spot is Calloway Lump, a flat covered by a spinney off the Westbury road. It is hard-to-find from Warminster.

The nearest area is a secluded grass area. It is ideal for hidden landings.

Possibly there is — or was the evidence of Seven-old Mrs. D. C. Hollis, of Carpenter, Lisa Shuttleweed he had a big fire of combustible [illegible]

THE SHADY SPOT at the rear of Calloway Clump . . . is where flying saucers have landed! Mrs Hollis claimed. surrounded on three sides by trees and undergrowth.

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Britain Plays Thing-Gazing

London, Sept. 11 (Reuters)—A hunt-the-Thing-fever hit Britain today after the Daily Mirror published pictures of what it described as mysterious flying objects.

The first picture, published yesterday, was of a strange object said to have floated over the Wiltshire town of Warminster for the last eight months.

The second, published today, was of a sister Thing which, the newspaper said, was flashing low over the streets of London.

The Thing has taken various forms—from a flying saucer to a "glowing cigar with a black circular patch"—according to the reports.

One sighting of the Thing in Wimbledon in southwest London last night was a false alarm. It turned out to be a huge plastic balloon called Echo II, which has been orbiting 900 miles up since it was launched by the United States last year.

Almost 40 man-made satellites can be seen from Britain, and probably account for most of the flying saucer reports, scientists believe.

Daily Mirror
Holborn Circus, London, E.C.1.
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Amateur photographer Roy confesses: I hung a model 'Thing' on a tree

ONE OF THOSE 'SAUCERS IN THE SKY' WAS A FAKE

By RON RICKETTS

ONE of The Things which have puzzled Britain landed with a bump yesterday. And the so-called unidentified flying object was in fact identified—as an ordinary down-to-earth model about the size of a match-box.

The Thing was one of two pictured in the Daily Mirror last week that set Britain talking and searching the skies.

Mirror experts doubted its authenticity. Science Reporter Arthur Smith and Air Correspondent Peter Harris were both sceptical.

Shock

They were right. And the flying saucer believers are in for a shock.

For yesterday amateur photographer Roy Coombs admitted that it was all a clever fake.

He had claimed to have taken his picture of The Thing in Burnham, Surrey, last Monday.

Yesterday he explained how he did it.

Said 20-year-old engineer Roy, of Mustid-road, Battersea, London: "I made a model of an object like one photographed near Warminster where all the strange sightings have been reported lately.

"Then I hung it by a piece of cotton from a tree and took several pictures of it.

"I did it only from enthusiasm for photography.

"I wanted to see if photographs of flying saucers could be successfully faked."

Gordon Faulkner, another amateur who claims to have snapped The Thing declared later: "My picture is definitely NOT a stunt."

'IT'S TRUE'

The Warminster "Thing"—still called genuine.

'Other one is no stunt'

Gordon, a 23-year-old factory worker, said he photographed The Thing on Sunday, August 29 as it flew over Warminster, the Wiltshire town worried for months by strange objects in the sky, and by weird noises.

Meanwhile, in London, Mirror photographer ARTHUR SIDEY showed how easy it is to fake a flying saucer.

He went to Westminster armed with a camera, and an "unidentified flying object"—an ashtray.

Said Arthur: "I focused on Big Ben. Then an assistant threw the ashtray high in the air and I clicked my camera. The result is a 'flying saucer.'"

Dozens of people in Southern England are still convinced they have spotted The Thing themselves.

Curious

All over the weekend they have been flooding the Daily Mirror with calls.

And Journalist Arthur Shuttlewood, of the Warminster Journal, has been besieged by the curious since he described the strange goings-on in the skies above the town in the Mirror on Friday.

A desperate Mr. Shuttlewood said yesterday: "My phone line has been burning hot since Friday, and it's getting progressively worse.

"I am going off on a short holiday, until the heat cools off."

OUR FAKE

The Mirror's fake—ashtray thrown up in front of Big Ben.

WESTERN DAILY PRESS & BRISTOL MIRROR
Bristol 15 SEP 1965

THE THING IS BOOST TO TRADE

By Roland Arblaster

Warminster has become a booming tourist centre—because of The Thing. Holidaymakers and day trippers are going out of their way to visit the town.

They all hope to spot that unidentified flying object.

High Street traders confirmed yesterday that their businesses have thrived since the reports of times."

Warminster people insist that the Thing must be real "because so many sensible people have seen it."

But not all the reported visits of the Thing stand close scrutiny.

It was revealed last night that two campers who pitched their tent just outside the town after the Bank Holiday were the victims of a hoax.

HOAX

Planned

They had bragged in the town that they did not believe the stories.

So a well-laid local plot was planned to "prove" the Thing.

All that was needed was a sheet of corrugated metal, a heavy stick and a few handfuls of gravel.

Next day, the two campers reported being awakened in the dead of night by metallic vibrations and mysterious sounds like meteorites falling.

Major Bill Hill always scoffed at stories about the Thing—until one night his car engine suddenly cut out on the Trowbridge—Westbury road.

The car lights flickered. Yet the battery was all right and the car was not overheating.

There was no plausible explanation—and Major Hill should know, for he is sales manager of Ramseyer Motors' Trowbridge garage.

When he got out to investigate "there was a definite sensation of something pressing down," he said.

But eeriest of all was the noise.

The only sound Major Hill could compare it with was a powerful turbine engine, or a greatly amplified refrigerator motor.

For three minutes the noise and pressure continued, although Major Hill could see nothing.

Then the phenomenum began to subside—and the noise "went straight up into the air."

Major Hill found his car started immediately the experience ended.

Bristol Evening Post
Bristol
14 SEP 1963
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THE THING STOPS A BE

Blue light and tremors at Lulsgate Bottom

By ROGER BENNETT

The Thing came to Lulsgate Bottom last night.

With an unearthly blue light, a shrill whine and violent tremors, it paused for 60 seconds over the little village on the fringe of Bristol Airport.

Devon insurance consultant Mr. Kenneth Kimberley (32) was purring homeward at midnight at 65 m.p.h. in his Bentley when the Thing struck.

This is the story a shaken Mr. Kimberley told today:

"I was on my way home to Cullompton after a day of insurance calls in Bristol. The A.38 road was quiet and I was travelling at a steady speed.

Engine cut

"Then suddenly ahead of me I saw a patch of odd greenish blue light across the road. I suppose it was about 50 yards wide.

"I carried on, thinking it was a patch of mist on the road. But as I entered the area of light, my engine cut out abruptly and my lights went out.

"I immediately braked and the car stopped. Inside the car it was dark. But outside I could see myself surrounded by this vivid light.

"Then I heard the sound. It was a shrill, high-pitched noise, like a jet engine. It seemed somehow close, and yet distant at the same time.

Vibrations

"I began to get a little scared. I'm a level headed sort of chap. But this was something weird and inexplicable.

"As I sat there wondering what was going on, the head of my car suddenly started vibrating.

"It was as if an elephant had got hold of the Bentley and was shaking it up and down. By this time I was really worried. I thought there was some sort of earth tremor starting.

Baffled

"I opened the door and climbed out. As I did so, the light disappeared, the tremor stopped and the car was still.

"Then I tried the engine and the lights. They worked perfectly. I drove on to the next telephone kiosk and dialled 999 for the police.

"A patrol car arrived, and the policemen examined my car as I told them what I had experienced.

"They seemed utterly baffled."

Mr. Kimberley drove on home to Cullompton.

Was it the Warminster Thing? Or a different Thing?

Mr. Kimberley said: "All I know is that it scared me stiff. And I'd like someone to come up with an explanation to put my mind at rest."

Gloucestershire Echo
Cheltenham
12 SEP 1963

Flying Saucers

Sir,—What an interesting letter J. R. Ledger wrote on the flying saucer subject. But let us be fair with the sceptics. Firstly, seeing is believing; secondly, there are those of us who have the good fortune to be plugged in on higher wavelengths.

One would have to be on a higher wavelength to begin to understand the words of J. R. Ledger.

There are many strange and wonderful things to see on this planet if one has the good fortune to be of a psychic nature.

About a month ago I saw an object in the sky over the Cheltenham racecourse way. It was like a big, round, red light with a tiny green light on the top to the left of it.

There was also a faint flicker inside the red light. It was hovering when I first noticed it. There was no sound.

It then took off with great speed without any turn around, leaving me in wonderment whether I had seen it at all.

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Look out! Flying saucer

Spacemen will land soon says man who saw it

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IN the not too distant future, there will be a spate of flying saucers over England. They will land, and their occupants will try to make contact with us earthlings.

Who says so? Nineteen-year-old Christopher Furness, of Sackville Road, Hove.

Christopher, who has been interested in unidentified flying objects since he was five years old, said his belief that the saucers will land was strengthened the other night when he saw a large, square object travelling at a very fast speed over Hove seafront.

"It moved steadily across the sky at high speed, then it moved jerkily, and then steadily," said Christopher.

Zig-zagged

He added that the object, which was also seen by his friend, Nigel Bennett, of Ranmocks, zig-zagged. "In my opinion it was not in any way connected with Russia's latest space research satellite, which was launched the same day," said Christopher.

"It could be connected with the objects reported seen over Dorset. It was only visible for about 30 seconds."

Christopher, one of five people who founded the Brighton and Hove Flying Saucer Research Group, said it was possible that the object he saw was the same one sighted at about the same time by a Crawley railway clerk.

Brilliant light

Three other persons also said they saw the "brilliant light, travelling from south to north" and two Worthing women earlier reported seeing an object high over the Downs.

"I am quite sure there will be a spate of them—and they will land and try to make contact with us," said Christopher.

FLYING SAUCERS OVER MEXICO

NCT 9/13

MEXICO CITY.—Mexican air space still seems a popular "haunt" for flying saucer pilots.

At Coatzacoalcos, 100 miles south-east of Veracruz, a 14-year-old girl was reported to have fled screaming as a 30ft.-diameter "saucer" hovered over her, whistling gently, at a height of 30ft.

The girl, her father and a policeman were among many local residents who described the object as having a ring of glowing lights along below it, and who claimed after this daytime visitation that it flew over the town again that same night.

From San Cristobal, north-west of Mexico City, a farmer telephoned a girl newspaper to describe a glowing, spundless object which sped overhead "like a bullet" leaving a trail of white vapour.

He said his nine-year-old niece first spotted it, and described it as shining like a mercury-vapour street lamp."

Many other sightings have been reported near the city itself, so much so that one newspaper sent a reporter to spend a whole day on the dusty, dried-up bed of Lake Texcoco, which seemed a particularly popular rendezvous for unidentified flying objects.

The Mexican Air Force and civil aviation officials have been asked to keep a lookout for any strange phenomenon but have issued no official report of any "sightings."—Reuter.

Colchester Gazette
Colchester, Essex.
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MAN TELLS OF SEEING 'FLYING SAUCER' LAND

Paxman worker says it stopped his motor-cycle

WAS it a flying saucer from another planet which 29-year-old Paxman fork lift truck driver Mr. Paul Green, of Ferndale, Mill Road, West Mersea, saw as he rode his motor-cycle home late one night recently? "I'm not a crank, but I think it was something from another planet," said Mr. Green, who described the mystery object as "about the length of two houses."

His motor-cycle cut out as he received a kind of electric shock from the handlebars of the machine as the "flying saucer" glided in from the east and apparently landed on the marshes by Fingringhoe Wick, he said. Although he admitted afterwards that he was "scared stiff", Mr. Green said he noticed that the object had a dome emitting a blue light, and that there seemed to be a blue light from a band around the machine and also from a cut-away portion underneath.

Also underneath were what looked like landing wheels on two large balls.

The machine disappeared from his view behind a clump of trees, but Mr. Green said he could still see the blue light over the trees for a while.

Mr. Paul Green

Our artist's impression of the "flying saucer" described by Mr. Green.

HUMMING NOISE

"I was riding past the home of Mr. Antony Buck, M.P., at Peldon, when I heard a strange humming noise, rather like the noise one hears from a kid's spinning top—but much louder and more piercing," he told a reporter.

"I had just overtaken a scooter when I heard this noise, and looking to the sky, saw a saucer-shaped object, with a dome at the top. Then my machine stopped just as if I had run out of petrol.

"I was dumbstruck. The object was about two miles away and about 100ft. up. It appeared to land on the Colchester side of Mersea Marshes.

"Then when I touched the throttle of the bike, it was as if I'd put my hand on a live cable—there was a stinging sensation all over me.

"I kept looking and there appeared to be a pulsating bluish light flickering on and off. I walked on a bit, pushing my bike, and then I kicked it and the engine burst into life immediately.

'NUMBED'

"The strange thing is that the scooter rider experienced the same as I did. But neither of us spoke, not one word was said—it was as if we had been numbed."

Mr. Green told a reporter that he hoped the young scooter rider would come forward to describe what he had seen.

Mrs. Russell Walker, of Peet Tye Cottage, Mersea Road, Abberton, a neighbour of Mr. Buck's, said that she had heard nothing of the incident but many people had commented on low flying planes in the area.

Daily Mirror, London
Date: 1 OCT 1957

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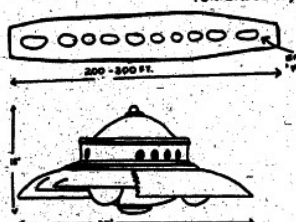

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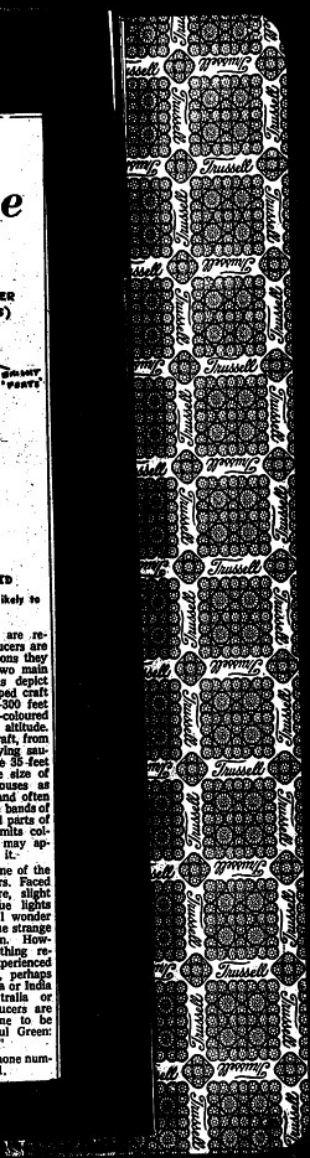
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The fact that they come and go so mysteriously makes people who have never seen one themselves doubt that they exist. Acquaintances who know I am interested in these devices often say: "Well, why don't they land — we'd all believe it then." When you reply that they often do land but that they tend to choose remote places like the Essex marshes rather than grandly dropping into Trafalgar Square to say "Take me to your leader!" you are met with incredulous stares.

Yet much of the evidence points to saucers being controlled by very intelligent beings who are conducting surveys and scientific experiments. They take soil — holes-in-the-ground cases—and water, as the one Mr. Green saw was probably doing, much as a geologist will take samples in a foreign country.

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In this connection I would be glad to hear from people who sight strange objects in the sky* as soon after the event as possible. Draw what you saw if you can. Time, place, size, height are all important.

If possible take a photograph of the "thing" — I know a boy who took a photograph of five hovering saucers with a box camera — people are less likely to scoff at that sort of evidence.

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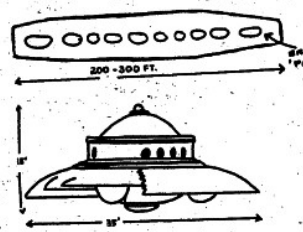

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Lancashire Evening Post

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MORE FLYING OBJECTS MYSTIFY VILLAGES

Mystery of 'Flying Saucer' landing

Flying Object Report Probed

War experts to vet pictures of The Things

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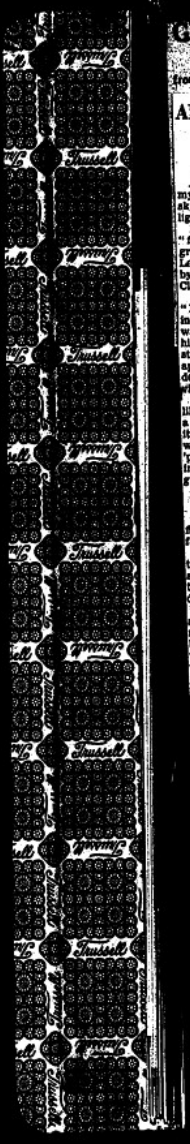
BARKER — AFRICAN POLICE REPORT STRANGE FLYING OBJECT

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, Sept. 17 (AP) - South African police and scientists investigated a report that an unidentified flying object had land[ed] yesterday on a main highway near Pretoria, the country's administrative c[apital].

Two patrolling police officers reported seeing the flaming objects about 30 feet in diameter, shortly after midnight. One of them, Kpee de Klark, said the shiny [illegible]-colored (aka??? -gf) object resembled a giant spinning top.

The two men said that as they approached the object, it took off [illegible] at great speed with flames shooting out of its underside.

Scientists who examined the spot where the officers said they saw the object are reported to have found that a six-foot wide section of the terrain had been badly burned. Grass on either side of the highway was reported to have been scorched.



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Cheltenham, Glos
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ANOTHER "SAUCER" SIGHTED

Another report of a mysterious flying object in the sky over Cheltenham came to light today.

During the weekend two "flying saucers" were photographed over Charlton Kings. Last night another was seen by Mr. Robert Lewis, of 146 Clyde-crescent.

Mr. Lewis told the "Echo": "My father is very interested in astronomy, and last night I was out in the garden with him and my two brothers, studying the night sky. At approximately 11.15 we suddenly saw what I am convinced was a flying saucer.

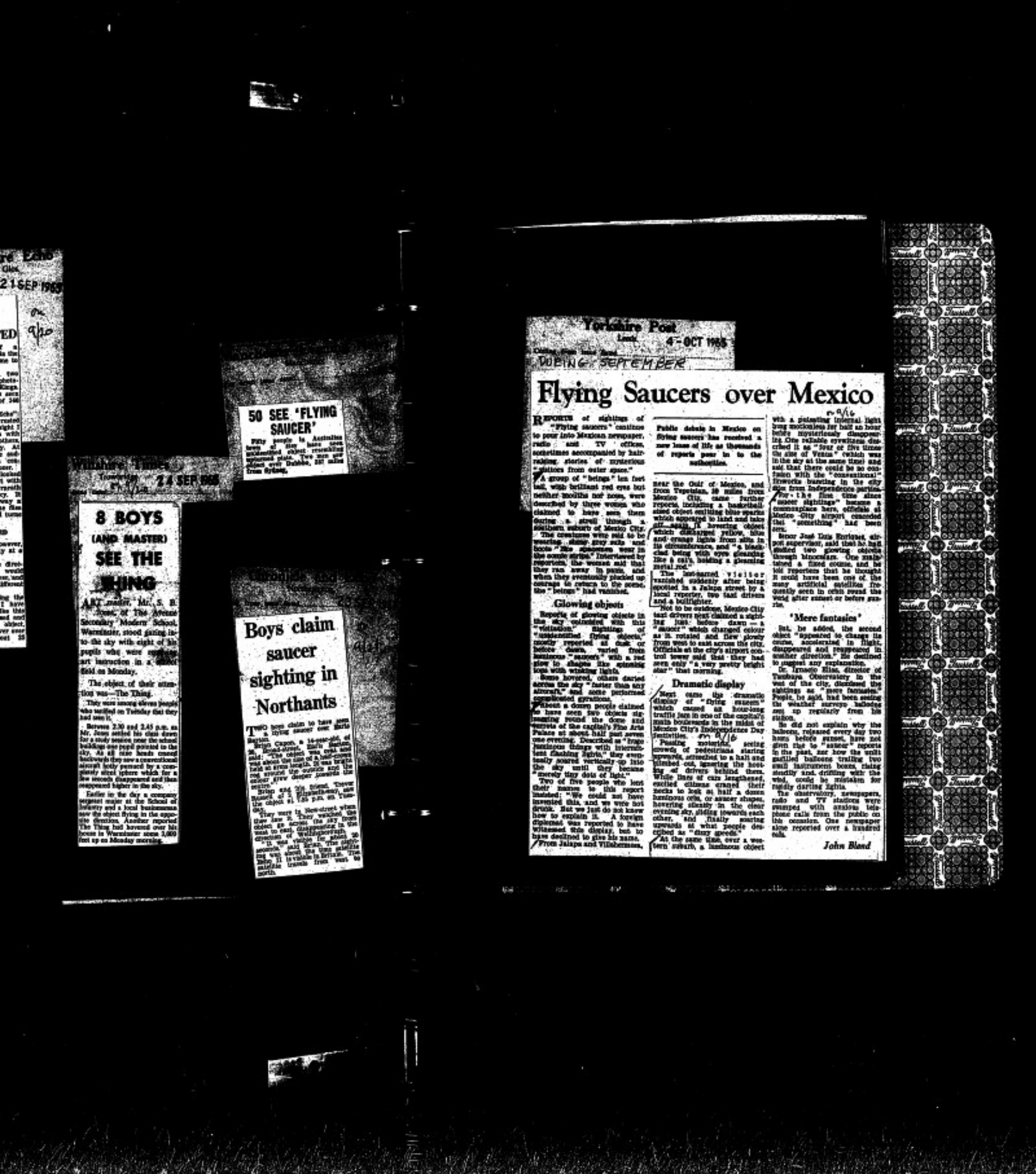
"An object which looked like a red glowing light with a grey cigar shape underneath it flashed across the sky. It was quite unlike the way a 'plane travels. A 'plane flies in a smooth course and turns gradually.

FANTASTIC SPEED

"This object, however, flashed all over the sky at a fantastic speed.

"It travelled in one direction and then it would suddenly stop dead, hover, and then skim away in a different direction.

"I have been studying the stars regularly but I have never seen anything like this before. I was surprised and terrified to see this object, which continued to hover over Cheltenham for about 25 minutes."



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DUBING SEPTEMBER

Flying Saucers over Mexico

REPORTS of sightings of "flying saucers" continue to pour into Mexican newspaper, radio and TV offices, sometimes accompanied by hair-raising stories of mysterious visitors from outer space."

A group of "beings" ten feet tall, with brilliant red eyes but neither mouths nor noses, were described by three women who claimed to have seen them during a stroll through a southern suburb of Mexico City.

The creatures were said to be wearing shiny grey suits and boots "like spacemen seen in the comic strips." Interviewed by reporters, the women said that they ran away in panic, and when they eventually plucked up courage to return to the scene, the "beings" had vanished.

Public debate in Mexico on flying saucers has received a new lease of life as thousands of reports pour in to the authorities.

Glowing objects

Reports of glowing objects in the sky coincided with this "visitation." Sightings of "unidentified flying objects," mostly reported at dusk or before dawn, varied from luminous "saucers" with a red glow to shapes like spinning tops with winking lights.

Some hovered, others darted across the sky "faster than any aircraft," and some performed complicated gyrations.

Almost a dozen people claimed to have seen two objects zig-zagging round the dome and turrets of the capital's Fine Arts Palace at about half past seven one evening. Described as "huge luminous things with intermittent flashing lights," they eventually soared vertically up into the sky until they became "merely tiny dots of light."

Two of five people who lent their names to this report insisted: "We could not have invented this, and we were not drunk. But we just do not know how to explain it. A foreign diplomat was reported to have witnessed the display, but to have declined to give his name.

From Jalapa and Villahermosa, near the Gulf of Mexico, and from Veracruz, 30 miles from Mexico City, came further reports, including a basketball-sized object emitting blue sparks which appeared to land and take off again. A hovering object which changed yellow, blue and orange lights from side to its circumference, and "a black-clad being with eyes gleaming like a cat's, holding a gleaming metal rod."

The best-served visitor vanished suddenly after being spotted in a Jalapa street by a local reporter, two taxi drivers and a bullfighter.

Not to be outdone, Mexico City taxi drivers next claimed a sighting just before dawn — a "saucer" which changed colour as it rotated and flew slowly from west to east across the city. Officials at the city's airport control tower said that they had seen only "a very pretty bright star" that morning.

Dramatic display

Next came the dramatic display of "flying saucers" which caused an hour-long traffic jam in one of the capital's main boulevards in the midst of Mexico City's Independence Day festivities.

Passing motorists, seeing crowds of pedestrians staring upwards, attracted to a halt and climbed out, ignoring the hooting of drivers behind them. While lines of cars lengthened, excited citizens craned their necks to look at half a dozen luminous orbs, or saucer shapes, hovering silently in the clear evening sky, sliding towards each other, and finally soaring upwards at what people described as "dizzy speeds."

At the same time, over a western suburb, a luminous object with a pulsating internal light hung motionless for half an hour before mysteriously disappearing. One reliable eyewitness described it as "four or five times the size of Venus" (which was in the sky at the same time) and said that there could be no confusion with the "conventional" fireworks bursting in the city skies from Independence parties.

For the first time since "saucer sightings" became a commonplace here, officials at Mexico City airport conceded that "something" had been seen.

Senor José Luis Enriquez, airport supervisor, said that he had spotted two glowing objects through binoculars. One maintained a fixed course, and he told reporters that he thought it could have been one of the many artificial satellites frequently seen in orbit round the world after sunset or before sunrise.

'Mere fantasies'

But, he added, the second object "appeared to change its course, accelerated in flight, disappeared and reappeared in another direction." He declined to suggest any explanation.

Dr. Ignacio Elias, director of Tacubaya Observatory in the west of the city, dismissed the sightings as "mere fantasies." People, he said, had been seeing the weather surveys balloons sent up regularly from the station.

He did not explain why the balloons, released every day two hours before sunset, have not given rise to "saucer" reports in the past, nor how the well-tried balloons trailing two small instrument boxes, rising steadily and drifting with the wind, could be mistaken for rapidly darting UFOs.

The observatory, newspapers, radio and TV stations were swamped with anxious telephone calls from the public on the occasion. One newspaper alone reported over a hundred calls.

John Bland

Wiltshire Times
Trowbridge 24 SEP 1965

8 BOYS (AND MASTER) SEE THE THING

ART master, Mr. S. B. Jones, of The Avenue Secondary Modern School, Warminster, stood gazing into the sky with eight of his pupils who were spending art instruction in a school field on Monday.

The object of their attention was—The Thing.

They were among eleven people who notified on Tuesday that they had seen it.

Between 2.30 and 2.45 p.m. on Mr. Jones called his class down for a study session near the school buildings and pupil pointed in the sky. At all nine heads craned backwards they saw a conventional aircraft hotly pursued by a contrasty silver sphere which for a few seconds disappeared and then reappeared higher in the sky.

Earlier in the day a company sergeant major at the School of Infantry and a local businessman saw the object flying in the opposite direction. Another reported The Thing had hovered over his house in Warminster some 3,000 feet up on Monday morning.

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50 SEE 'FLYING SAUCER'

Fifty people in Australian town of Ilan have seen unidentified object resembling upturned plate. Two men saw object over Dubbo, 247 miles from Sydney.

Boys claim saucer sighting in Northants

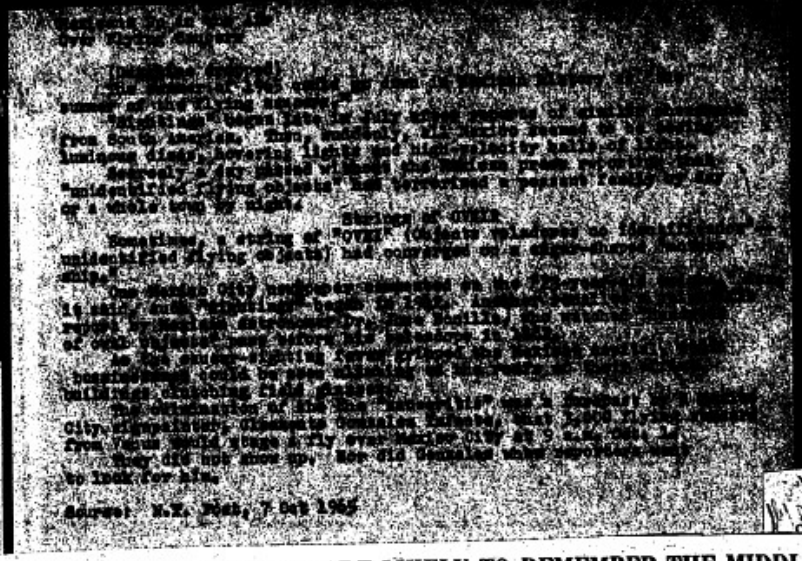
TWO boys claim to have seen a flying saucer over Earls Barton.

Brian Capon, a 14-year-old, of 36, Broad-street, Earls Barton, said: "The object was cold and was about the size of a tennis ball at arms length. It was brilliant red around the outside and the rod around the centre grew deeper towards the centre."

Brian and his friend, Trevor Russell of 2, Elizabethan-way, saw the object at 1.45 p.m. on Tuesday.

They were in New-street when they saw it. They watched the object as it went (in its sky from west to east, disappearing in the direction of Wellingborough.

"It was twice the size of an aeroplane," said Brian. "The silvery ring was about the size of a penny. It is visible in Britain. The Mirror 21 is visible in Britain. The satellite travels from west to north.



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DOWN MEXICO WAY THEY ARE LIKELY TO REMEMBER THE MIDDLE OF 1965 AS:

THRU'OUT SEPTEMBER

The Summer of the Flying Saucers...

THE summer of 1965 is likely to go down in Mexican history as "the summer of the flying saucers".

"Sightings" began late in July after a succession of reports of similar phenomena from various parts of South America.

Then suddenly all Mexico seemed to be seeing luminous discs, hovering lights and velocity balls of light.

Scarcely a day passed without the Mexican press reporting that "unidentified flying objects" had terrorised some peasant family by day or a whole town by night.

Sometimes a string of "OVNI" (objetos volladores no identificados) had converged on a cigar-shaped "mother-ship."

ENIGMA

One Mexico City newspaper commented on the "23-year-old enigma" for, it said, such "sightings" began in 1942. Another recalled that in a scientific report by the Mexican astronomer, Dr. Jose Bonilla, he said he had watched "hundreds of oval shaped objects pass before his telescope in 1882.

As "plativeitis"—the fever of seeing "plativeios" of flying saucers—gripped the Mexican capital, staid businessmen could be seen climbing to the roofs of their office blocks clutching a pair of field glasses.

Home-going office workers risked their lives crossing busy streets with their eyes to the air instead of on the traffic. A big department store advertised "OVNIs? See them for yourselves if you don't believe in them—buy your telescope or binoculars here."

The "flying saucers" came in red, white, blue, yellow and even grey. They ranged in size from a baseball to discs 60 feet across. They whizzed silently across the sky or gave out a deafening roar and a shower of sparks. Apart from saucers, some looked like mushrooms, American footballs, doughnuts or eggs.

They were seen in Acapulco, on the Pacific coast and Veracruz on the Gulf of Mexico, in Tijuana, in the far northwest and in Merida in the Yucatan Peninsula.

In time photographs appeared in the press and then films on television. Usually they showed fuzzy balls of light but sometimes clearly defined discs.

On September 16 traffic was jammed for nearly two hours on one of the capital's main boulevards as scores of motorists leapt from their cars to join hundreds of pedestrians staring up at half a dozen hovering "glowing objects."

Perhaps significantly this was Mexico's Independence Day and the night sky was always with rockets and fire balloons. But even former sceptics denied that the OVNIs bore any resemblance to fireworks.

Reports became more fantastic.

GLOWING

Three architecture students from the National University solemnly claimed to have made a three-hour round trip to Jupiter's third moon with tall spacemen who conversed with them by telepathy.

Three women walking in a city suburb said that they fled from two ten-feet tall beings wearing "space-suits like men in the strip cartoons," but with glowing red eyes.

The family of Senora Elsa Martinez Rebolledo said that their car was chased 35 miles into the outskirts of Veracruz by a gleaming blue egg-shaped object which finally soared away at a dizzy speed into the night sky.

As fast as the "evidence" piled up the rationalisers knocked it down.

Dr. Ernesto Dominguez, Director of the Gulf of Mexico weather bureau in Veracruz, insisted that people were seeing artificial satellites and weather balloons.

Senor David E. Mehlhiam, a nuclear physicist, in a public lecture in Mexico City, wrote off all the sightings as weather balloons or meteorological freaks. Photographs of OVNI, were, he said, photographers' tricks, and "the whole thing can be summed up as a fraudulent fantasy."

Astronomers appeared on television with teloscopic photographs showing that Venus went through phases like the moon and was therefore saucer-shaped at times.

But Senor Javier Garzon, a physicist on the staff of the National Astronomical Observatory was quoted as saying that in his view "the saucers really exist and apparently come from other planets."

After weeks of denying that anything out of the ordinary had been seen two Mexico City airport officials admitted that they had watched through binoculars, two "luminous bodies" crossing the sky.

One followed a fixed course and they conjectured this was one of the many artificial satellites visible soon after sunset or before sunrise.

But the second "changed course, speeded up, disappeared and came back into view and even went back on its track" according to the airport supervisor, Senor Jose Luis Enriquez.

SWARMS

Further swarms of "flying saucers" were seen over Mexico City on September 25 and 29. The evening newspaper "Ultimas Noticias" commented "Now Ovnividence—(evidence of OVNIs)—is getting alarming," while Diario de la Tarde said: "A great number of persons, formerly sceptical or incredulous, had objective and undeniable proof that the flying saucers are a reality."

Hoaxers have certainly also been at work in Mexico City.

On several nights, I myself watched a searchlight, or car headlight, being played on low clouds to give a rough impression of a fast travelling blob of light. But it bore no resemblance to what was being described by hundreds, and even thousands, of witnesses.

I also saw a set of unorthodox intermittent lights waxing and waning and turning red, and sometimes turning about each other. But they were several miles away and none travelled at high speed.

The culmination of "plativeitis" was a forecast by Senor Clemente Gonzalez Infante, a Mexico City signpainter, that 3,000 flying saucers from Venus would stage a fly past over Mexico City at 9 a.m. on October 1.

They did not show up. Nor did Senor Gonzalez when reporters went to look for him.

But a strik police and firemen an hour in distance some 2,000 citizens from the base of the Independence Monument, known as "El Angel", where they had gathered since dawn on the safety-in-numbers principle to watch the predicted extra-terrestrial parade

John Bland

Sighting Sept. 23 (?), 1965, nr Mexico City

ANOTHER REPORT OF FLYING SAUCER

Mexico, Sept. 24 (AFP)-- A flying saucer landed in the capital last Thursday (9/23?) at an early hour, left a message engraved on a strange metal, and flew off, says the newspaper El Graphico.

The news was given by two students of the National Polytechnic Institute who--they say--were witnesses present at the unusual happening. The metal is being submitted today for examination in the institute's laboratories.

This story, seemingly as fantastic as the one given Saturday to the afternoon paper Ultimas Noticias by some students in the Mexican capital city, has been partly confirmed by a reporter and a photographer of El Graphico. Both were nearby the Polytechnic Institute where the students declare the saucer landed and both could see how the grass in a field was burned, and in the soil were the holes made by a gigantic tripod. (Or traces of a gigantic tripod.)

The students' story, compiled by the paper, is that at 8:30 am a large, luminous vehicle with a dome on top, settled into a field near the institute preparatory to landing. The vehicle used a gigantic tripod at the rear. The aparatus had a kind of (radiador-radiator) which burned the grass.

Then two small beings, 80 centimeters tall, emerged from the object, wearing a kind of gas mask on their heads. Before the eyes of the astonished students they placed on the ground a piece of strange metal, which is today being examined in the laboratories. Then the beings returned to the saucer and it flew away.

Otro relato sobre un plato volador

MEXICO, 24 (AFP). — Un plato volador aterrizó en esta capital el jueves pasado a hora temprana, dejó un mensaje grabado en un extraño metal y levantó vuelo, informó el diario "El Gráfico".

La noticia fue suministrada por dos estudiantes del Instituto Politécnico Nacional, que —dicen— fueron testigos presenciales del insólito hecho. El metal en cuestión está siendo sometido ahora a un examen en los laboratorios del mismo instituto.

Esta información, que parece tan fantástica como la suministrada el sábado al vespertino "Ultimas Noticias" por varios estudiantes capitalinos, ha sido comprobada a medias por un reportero y un fotógrafo de "El Gráfico". Ambos estuvieron en las cercanías del Politécnico, donde afirman los estudiantes que descendió el platillo, y pudieron ver como la hierba de un descampado está quemada y en el suelo están las huellas de un gigantesco trípode.

La versión de los estudiantes, recogida por el diario, indica que a las 8.30 un gran vehículo luminoso con una cúpula en su parte superior, se posaba en el descampado cerca del Politécnico para aterrizar. El vehículo utilizó un gigantesco trípode en su parte posterior. El aparato tenía una especie de radiador que, al efectuar el descenso quemó toda la hierba cercana.

Del plato surgieron entonces dos pequeños seres de 80 centímetros de altura, que llevaban en la cara una especie de máscara contra gases. Ante los atónitos y temerosos estudiantes dejaron en el suelo un pedazo de extraño metal, que es el que ahora está siendo estudiado en el laboratorio del Politécnico. En seguida los seres volvieron al platillo y éste remontó vuelo.

SEP 28 1965

UFO By Any Other Name (Like OVNI) Is Just As Real In Mexico

By Carlos Gutierrez
Special to The Sun

MEXICO CITY — It may have taken longer than in other countries but the futuristic public illness known around here as "plativolitis" — from plativolo, flying saucer — is raging throughout Mexico, filling daily newspapers with fantastic tales.

Red, white, blue and even gray UFOs—OVNIs in Spanish—have been sighted these last few weeks over Mexico City, over Puebla, over Cuernavaca and eves in faraway places such as Puerto Vallarta and the fistlands of Sonora.

Not only have they been sighted by the dozens but assertedly they have been photographed, chased around, analyzed, discussed, denied and even boarded by some gents devils who claim having had trips in them to distant stars.

No Day Passes

Not one day passes without hearing of a new sighting over the blue yonder.

And even nonbelievers have found themselves looking — against their will of course — through the clouds fearing, or hoping maybe, to be counted among the seers.

One of the most recent and talked about cases is that which had one of these strange flying objects hovering above the city's international airport.

Control tower operators swore it shed red, white and blue light, sometimes adding a bit of yellow. They even instructed airplane captains flying in the area to watch for them. None of them reported seeing anything unusual . . . at that time.

Case of Force

In another now legendary case, three university students, pranksters, antisaucer believers claim, told newsmen they were forced one jolly morning to enter a flying saucer which landed near the campus.

Green little men, so the story went, took them on a pleasant ride through space and returned them to earth, not without warning them to be most discreet when talking about them.

Newspapers printed a photograph of what they said was an oval-shaped area where burned out grass "proved according to the students the saucer actually had landed there."

The afternoon tabloid El Grafico, which has taken the UFO matter most seriously, even published a map of Mexico showing how these mysterious visitors "always travel in the same direction, following a southeast to northwest route."

Traffic in downtown Mexico City practically was paralyzed a few days ago by what observatory officials claim was a mild earthquake but which, in the minds of many, was the result of some evil spell cast by an approaching UFO many swore they observed flying over the area at that time.

Cuernavaca, the tropical resort town, suffered three consecutive power blackouts in the space of one hour. Electric company officials were unable to account for the phenomenum. So the public voice quickly attributed it to . . . Yes . . .

Submits Photo

A respected lawyer and member of the Mexican Astronomic Society, Eric Roel, submitted to newspapers what he said was a photograph of an OVNI he had taken in Tecala, south of Mexico City, with the assistance of a telescopic lens.

Faraway visitors have been located even atop the eternal snows of Popo and Izta, volcanoes east of the city.

The flying saucer craze has reached such proportions parents who traditionally have kept their children at home by telling them robachicos, child stealers, roam the area, now scare them with the tale of a "flying saucer I just saw outside the door."

Now . . . As for that purple thing I can see through the window.

Guardian—Journal
Nottingham.
From issue dated 14 JAN 1966

Mexicans now 'see' flying saucers

By John Bland

REPORTS of sightings of "Flying saucers" continue to pour into Mexican newspaper, radio and television offices, sometimes accompanied by hair-raising stories of mysterious "visitors from outer space."

A group of "beings" ten feet tall, with brilliant red eyes, but neither mouths nor noses, were described by three women, who claimed to have seen them during a stroll through a southern suburb of Mexico City.

The creatures were said to be wearing shiny grey suits and boots "like spacemen wear in the comic strips."

Reports of glowing objects in the sky coincided with this "visitation."

Varying forms

Sightings of unidentified flying objects, mostly reported at dusk or before dawn, varied from luminous "saucers" with a red glow to shapes like spinning tops with winking lights.

Some hovered, others darted across the sky "faster than any aircraft," and some performed complicated gyrations.

About a dozen people claimed to have seen two objects zigzagging round the dome and turrets of the capital's Fine Arts Palace at about half past seven one evening.

Described as "huge, luminous things with intermittent flashing lights," they eventually soared vertically up into the sky until they became "merely tiny dots of light."

'Artificial'

Señor José Luis Enriquez, airport supervisor, said that he had studied two glowing objects through binoculars. One maintained a fixed course, and he told reporters that he thought it could have been one of the many artificial satellites frequently seen to orbit round the world after sunset or before sunrise.

Bristol Evening Post
Bristol.
From issue dated 24 SEP 1965

The Thing awakens a street

The Thing has moved again—this time to Trowbridge.

At Newlands Road early today residents were awakened by a "high pitched buzzing."

The noise, changing in pitch and volume, continued until after 4 a.m. Residents said that when it started, it appeared to approach from the Bradford-on-Avon direction.

This afternoon, people were still discussing their experience.

"I was too scared to get up and make myself a cup of tea," said Mrs. Winnie Crew.

"I don't want to hear that again tonight," agreed Mrs. Marian Bull.

Mrs. Joyce Colton was scared, too. Her husband was at work. She looked around her home for likely causes of the noise, before she noticed lights on all along the street — and realised she was listening to The Thing.

Yet her 13-year-old son, Colin, could hear nothing. Nor did any other children in the street.

WESTERN DAILY PRESS & BRISTOL MIRROR
Bristol.
Cutting from issue dated 20 OCT 1965

ASK-THE MEN-AT S-6, SAYS DALEK VOICE

Western Daily Press Reporter

Intelligent creatures from other planets are watching us, Warminster was told last night.

The Wiltshire town plagued by Things in the sky since last Christmas was given the latest space news by the Aetherius Society of London.

It came in the form of a tape-recorded warning.

A Dalek - like voice, reputed to be that of a Martian, pleaded with listeners in Warminster town hall to press earth authorities to release film of flying saucers.

Friendly

For the Air Ministry has a special department called S6 engaged entirely on keeping track of flying-saucer contacts, said committee member Reg Holdaway.

But its members are bound by the Official Secrets Act, he said.

And the people in the saucers, said the society's technical secretary Mr. Tom Curtis, are warning us that atomic experiments could only lead to disaster.

The saucer folk are friendly, the meeting was told, and they have visited us for thousands of years.

Mr. Curtis even went into the technical details of The Things.

They come in two sizes, he said — small scout craft, 35ft. 6in. in diameter, and cigar-shaped mother craft which could be thousands of miles long.

The star

Mr. Keith Robertson went even further.

He said the most famous sighting of a saucer in history was the star of Bethlehem.

In this case, he said, the intelligence of creatures from another planet was instilled in Christ.

There were about 70 people at the meeting.

They seemed unimpressed.

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Córdoba

EN EL CIELO DE CHARACATO SE AVISTÓ UN OVNI

El hecho lo presenciaron la maestra y alumnos de una escuela

CORDOBA. — Los platos voladores aparecieron, nuevamente en nuestra provincia. Una maestra, alumnos y testigos observaron las evoluciones de un objeto volador no identificado. Como saldo de la visión, y según lo que informa un parte policial de la jefatura política de Cruz del Eje, corroborado por el encargado del destacamento policial de la localidad de Characato, quienes miraron el OVNI experimentaron dolor en los ojos e irritación posterior en los párpados por espacio de varias horas.

La directora de la escuela regional de Characato, señorita Marta Vaudagna, en compañía de las alumnas María del Carmen Manson, de 13 años; María Ester Suárez, de 9; René Vázquez, de 8; Graciela Suárez, de 11 años, y de la señora Herminia Manson de, 50 años, se dirigían desde una finca vecina cuando vieron en el cielo un objeto luminoso. Eran aproximadamente las 19 y el objeto estaba suspendido a unos 400 metros de altura, manteniéndose a una distancia aproximada de 200 metros y con una posición en ángulo de 45 grados.

Sighting NLT Sept. 30, 1965, in Cordoba, Argentina
From La Nacion, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Oct. 2, 1965

Cordoba - A UFO SEEN IN THE SKY OF CHARACATO

Seen by Teacher and Students of a School

Cordoba--Flying saucers are appearing again in our province. A school teacher, students, and witnesses observed the maneuvers of an unidentified flying object. As a sequal [redacted] of the sighting and according to what was stated by a policeman of Cruz del Eje police headquarters, corroborated by the officer in charge of the police barracks of Characato, those who saw the UFO felt pain in their eyes and later, irritation in their eyelids for several hours(or varying periods of time).

The principal of the regional school of Characato, Miss Marta Vaudagna, together with pupils Mario del Carman Manson, 13, Maria Ester Suarez, 9, Rene Vazquez, 8, Graciela Suarez, 11, and Mrs. Herminia Manson, 50, were walking toward a neighboring country house when they saw a luminous object in the sky. It was about 7 p.m., and the object was suspended (hovering) some 400 meters in the air, maintaining an approximate distance of 200 meters, and an angular position of 45 degrees.

Sighting Oct. 16, 1965, Piura, Castilla Prov., Peru

EIGHT-METRE SAUCER REPORTED IN LIMA

Lima, Oct. 16 (ANSA)-- The principal, three teachers, and a group of students of the National Co-educational College "Miguel Cortes" of KIX Piura, Castilla Province, saw a flying saucer maneuvering over the school building, this morning's La Prensa records. The mysterious object had a diameter of about eight metres and gave off an intermittent yellow light, the witnesses stated. The newspaper added that the saucer appeared at about 200 metres altitude, making zigzag maneuvers for three minutes, then disappeared rapidly in the direction of the airport.

Two days ago another group of people saw a similar object over the small square Bolognesi de Piura with the same characteristics observed by the teachers and pupils.

Vieron un Plato de Ocho Metros, en Lima

(ANSA). — El director, tres profesores y un grupo de alumnos del colegio nacional mixto "Miguel [illegible] Piura, provincia de Castilla, vieron evolucionar [illegible] volador sobre el edificio del instituto, anuncia el diario "La Prensa" de esta mañana. El misterioso objeto tenía un diámetro aproximado de ocho metros y despedía una luz intermitente de color amarillo. Informaron también los periodistas. El diario añade que el platillo volador apareció a unos doscientos metros de altura haciendo rápidamente a disciplina, maniobras zigzagueantes por espacio de tres minutos, para desaparecer luego velozmente en dirección al [illegible].

Cabe recordar que hace dos días otro grupo de personas vio un objeto similar sobre la plazuela Bolognesi de [illegible] con las mismas características observado por [illegible] y alumnos. Octubre 16

Worksop Guardian

Worksop [illegible] 29 OCT 1965

Circling [illegible] saucer

Mum, Come Quick! There's A Flying Saucer!

MYSTERY OF THE FLASHING LIGHTS

The residents of Leicester Road, Dinnington, are still talking about what they believe to have been a flying saucer seen going over their rooftops last week.

Thirty-five-year-old Mrs. Carl Kallas told the "Worksop Guardian": "My little girl ran into the house and told me there was a flying saucer. I told her not to be silly, but when she took me outside a short time afterwards I saw it for myself.

"It was a large round object with red flashing lights underneath it. It travelled from one side of the sky to the other, and must have stayed in the area for about 1½ hours."

The Kallas family were not the only ones to see the object. Mrs. Vera Perry, aged 41, of 61 Leicester Road, said: "My little 10-year-old daughter, Brenda, came in and told me there was a flying saucer. She said it had red and green flashing lights underneath it."

A trainee wire drawer, 16-year-old Frank Bird, also of Leicester Road, was with a group of friends when he heard the children in the street shouting. Said Frank: "When I went to see what was wrong, I saw the object moving spirally through the sky. It was larger than a helicopter and it wasn't a plane. There were red lights flashing as it went. A friend of mine said he saw some windows in the side of it." It stayed around for a long time, and eventually disappeared in the clouds over Maltby."

A local police spokesman said that he had received no reports of such phenomena.

Men from Mars haven't landed yet, but, until they do, the mystery of the flashing lights remains unsolved.

Buenos Aires Is Talking About

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Those Flying Saucers

Buenos Aires

ANTONIO SILVESTRE is a young, no-nonsense businessman from Buenos Aires.

And he—along with thousands of his fellow citizens—claims to have sighted flying saucers hovering over this staid, worldly city.

"I have seen them several times," Silvestre, an earnest, bespectacled fellow, said. "They are bright, oval-shaped objects that change color from white to green to blue."

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SILVESTRE, a neighbor of former President Arturo Frondizi, said he first spotted the UFO (Unidentified Flying Object) while walking past Frondizi's home one evening.

"It stayed up there for 20 minutes and then disappeared," he said. "A lot of us saw the thing—and have seen others since then. They're pretty common occurrences in this area."

Indeed. For the past three months, UFO sightings have been reported almost regularly in Argentina's skies.

And descriptions of the objects are invariably the same: bright and oval-shaped.

Recently La Cronica, a popular morning tabloid here, ran two pictures of them on the front page.

The first photo shows two UFOs surrounded by a brilliant, heart-shaped halo. The second shows what appear to be light trails.

In each picture one of the objects is much more luminous than the other.

La Cronica said two newsmen photographed them from the terrace of a building in Resistencia, not far from Buenos Aires.

SOME FLYING SAUCER notes circulating around Buenos Aires go quite a bit further:

"A truck driver, for example, said a UFO landed on the highway in front of his vehicle the other night. The driver, surprised, was chased down the road a ways by the UFO's strange occupants.

"They were gray-white and were 60 centimeters [illegible] high," he said, using [illegible] to describe it.

The only tangible evidence to back up his adventure is a metallic set of brass cufflinks on his right arm, which, he said, resulted from ray gunfire.

Local doctors, unimpressed by exhibiting their brass cuff links before [illegible] Horn.

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AN ARGENTINE FLYER in nearby Cordoba was also reported to have seen the [illegible] flying saucer over Mar del Plata in his Patagonian territory, the press said.

The Argentine government has remained mute on the subject of sightings.

—Bill Moore

LONG ISLAND PRESS, N.Y. MON. NOVEMBER 1, 1965

FLYING OBJECTS OVER FINLAND

HELSINKI (UPI) - Mysterious ball and cigar shaped objects were seen in Finnish skies Friday night. 10/29/65

They flew northwards, trailing light behind them, according to eye-witnesses who saw them in central and eastern Finland.

In the lead were 10 ball-shaped objects and behind them came a cigar-shaped object, they said.

Newcastle Journal
Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Northumberland
Cutting from issue dated 4 FEB 1965

'Flying saucers' buzz Jarrow again

on 11/7

MYSTERIOUS FLYING OBJECTS have been seen shooting across the sky over Jarrow. A schoolboy and his parents said last night they had spotted several of them circling low over the town.

"They made a roaring noise and looked like silver triangles," said 13-year-old Joseph Hyde, of Albert Road. "They were not aeroplanes, because some of my friends telephoned Newcastle airport and were told that no civil aircraft were in the area at the time."

Some time ago several residents of Inverness Road, Jarrow, reported seeing a strange object like a fireball in the sky. The object, which they christened "The Thing," was seen on eight occasions. Mothers complained at the time that some of their children had been severely frightened by it.

Mrs Maureen Hyde, Joseph's mother said: "We didn't believe him when he came rushing into the house shouting he had seen something like a flying saucer.

Convinced

"We went out to have a look and were amazed to see these silver things darting about the sky.

"My husband, who used to be in the Fleet Air Arm, was convinced they were not aeroplanes."

Mr J L Otley, secretary of the Tyneside Unidentified Flying Objects Society, said last night that Joseph's "things" might be flying saucers.

"There has been a sudden burst of sightings of these objects throughout the world," he said. "Landings have even been reported on an Australian beach and a Texas highway.

"We are not going to jump in head first and say these are definitely flying saucers. But the Jarrow sighting fits the description of others and the objects may well have been flying saucers."

Essex County Standard
Colchester
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in Nov. 1965

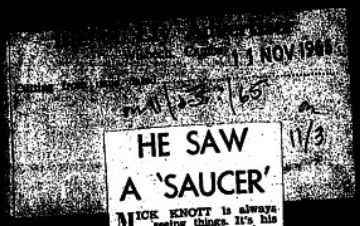
NINE CLAIM TO HAVE SEEN 'SPACE OBJECTS'

SINCE Mr. A. J. Watts, a lecturer at the North-East Essex Technical College and School of Art, Colchester and a member of the British Unidentified Flying Objects Research Association, wrote in the "Standard" three months ago about the sighting of a space object over Langenhoe Marshes late last year he has been contacted by nine different people in the immediate area telling him of their experiences, he told a reporter this week.

None of them has been a recent sighting — although one was a report from a colchester woman who claimed to have seen a flying saucer while holidaying in France.

"A PATTERN"

"Since 1960, in this area there has been a certain pattern in the sightings. Obviously the countryside in this part of Essex, flat and unhindered by large buildings, has something to do with so many regular sightings having been reported in the 1960s," Mr. Watts said.



HE SAW A 'SAUCER'

MICK KNOTT is always seeing things. It's his job. For Mick is an "Advertiser" cameraman.

But even he was taken by surprise while out driving along the Fen roads last week.

He insists he saw a flying saucer.

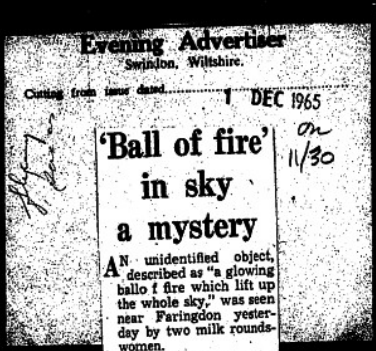
"There I was driving back from Downham Market, when way ahead somewhere over Wisbech I saw this shining silver disc. It stood out quite plainly in the clear blue sky. To me it looked all the world like a flying saucer. It was high up in the sky.

"Then as quickly as it appeared—it disappeared—in a puff of smoke."

SERIOUS

Now Mick often comes and spins some unlikely yarns to us in the office, but this time he is deadly serious. Unfortunately it was impossible to take a picture. For one thing it was too far away and also the object was gone in a flash.

He hasn't heard or met anyone who saw this thing in the sky last Wednesday about 12.30 p.m. We would be interested to hear from anyone else who saw Mick's flying saucer.



Evening Advertiser
Swindon, Wiltshire.

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'Ball of fire' in sky a mystery

AN unidentified object, described as "a glowing ballo f fire which lift up the whole sky," was seen near Faringdon yesterday by two milk roundswomen.

"It was very large, and moving extremely fast," one of the girls, Mrs. Pam Gills, said. She and her colleague, Miss Eileen Webb, watched the object move across the sky from Faringdon and, after only a few seconds, disappear behind White Horse Hill.

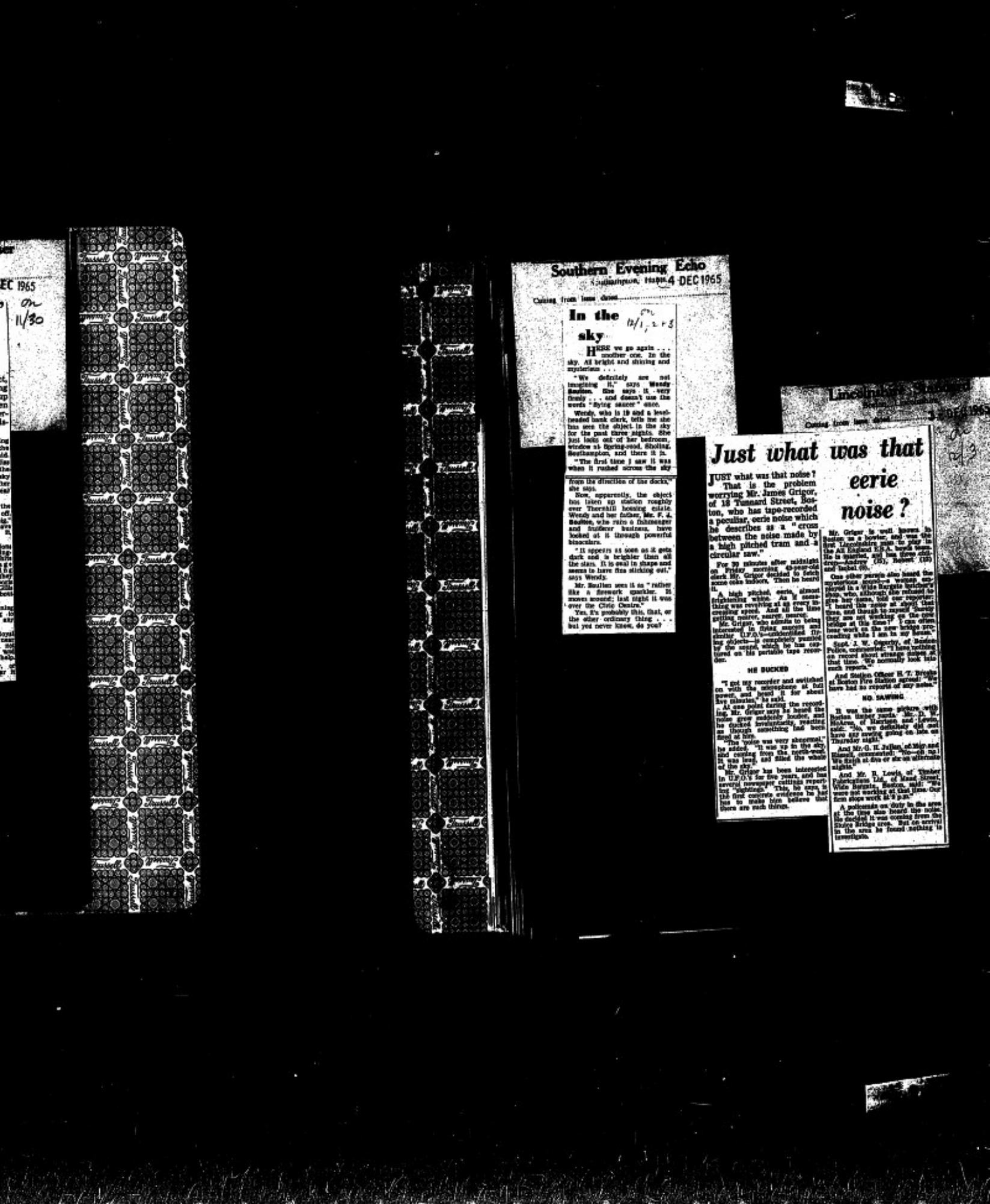
"It was not a plane, because the light did not flash on and off, and it was much too big," went on Mrs. Gills. "I have never seen anything like it, we discussed it all day."

A spokesman for the Operations Department of RAF Abingdon, in whose area White Horse Hill and Wantage appear, told the Evening Advertiser reporter that they had received no other reports of the object which Mrs. Gills and Miss Webb saw about 6.30 a.m. yesterday.

"It was too early in the morning to be anything belonging to us," he added. "I haven't any idea what it was."

A spokesman for the Royal Signals base at Bampton, near Faringdon, said they had not any tracking equipment, and thus could not offer any help.

So the comet, or meteor, or flying saucer, or whatever it was, remains a mystery.



Southern Evening Echo
Southampton, Hants. 4 DEC 1965
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In the sky

HERE we go again . . . another one. In the sky. All bright and shining and mysterious . . .

"We definitely are not imagining it," says Wendy Boulton. She says it very firmly . . . and doesn't use the words "flying saucer" once.

Wendy, who is 19 and a level-headed bank clerk, tells me she has seen the object in the sky for the past three nights. She just looks out of her bedroom window at Spring-road, Sholing, Southampton, and there it is.

"The first time I saw it was when it rushed across the sky from the direction of the docks," she says.

Now, apparently, the object has taken up station roughly over Thornhill housing estate. Wendy and her father, Mr. F. J. Boulton, who runs a fishmonger and fruiterer business, have looked at it through powerful binoculars.

"It appears as soon as it gets dark and is brighter than all the stars. It is oval in shape and seems to have fins sticking out," says Wendy.

Mr. Boulton sees it as "rather like a firework sparkler. It moves around; last night it was over the Civic Centre."

Yes, it's probably this, that, or the other ordinary thing . . . but you never know, do you?

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Just what was that eerie noise?

JUST what was that noise?

That is the problem worrying Mr. James Grigor, of 18 Tunnard Street, Boston, who has tape-recorded a peculiar, eerie noise which he describes as a "cross between the noise made by a high pitched tram and a circular saw."

For 20 minutes after midnight on Friday morning 43-year-old clerk Mr. Grigor decided to fetch some coke indoors. Then he heard it.

A high pitched, eerie, almost frightening whine. As it came thing was revolving at an every increasing speed. And all the time getting nearer, nearer, nearer.

Mr. Grigor, who admits to being interested in flying saucers and similar U.F.O's—unidentified flying objects—completely puzzled by the sound, which he has captured on his portable tape recorder.

HE DUCKED

"I got my recorder and switched on with the microphone at full power, and found it for about five minutes," he said.

At one point during the recording, Mr. Grigor says he heard the noise grow suddenly louder, and he ducked involuntarily, reacting as though something had been dived at him.

"The noise was very abnormal," he added. "It was up in the sky, and coming from the north-west. It was long, and filled the whole of the sky."

Mr. Grigor has been interested in U.F.O's for five years, and has several newspaper cuttings report-ing "sightings." This, he says, is the first concrete evidence he has had to make him believe that there are such things.

Mr. Grigor is well known in Boston as a bowler, and was the first Lincolnshire man to play in the All England B.B.A. bowls team. He is married, and has three children—Andrew (15), Robert (13) and Isabel (9).

One other person also heard the mysterious noise—a woman employed in a Wide Bargate butcher's shop, who, although she refused to give her name, told our reporter: "I heard the noise at about that time, and though to myself 'Sunday they are not working on the new bridge at this time?' I can often hear work on the new bridge proceeding while I am in my house."

Supt. J. W. Caporn, of Boston Police, commented: "I have nothing on record about strange noises at that time. We normally look into such reports."

And Station Officer H. T. Bryden at Boston Fire Station agreed: "We have had no reports of any noise."

NO SAWING

It was the same picture with Boston timber yards. Mr. D. H. Holroe, of Barrigate, and Lewis, of Wide Bargate, said: "No, we definitely did not have any sawing going on late on Thursday night."

And Mr. G. H. Julian, of Major and Bissell, commented: "No—it isn't. We finish at five or six on alternate nights."

And Mr. R. Lewis, of Timber Fabrications Ltd., of Maud Street, Wide Bargate, Boston, said: "We were not working at that time. Our men stop work at 5 p.m."

A policeman on duty in the area at the time also heard the noise. He decided it was coming from the Skirth Bridge area. But on arriving in the area he found nothing to investigate.

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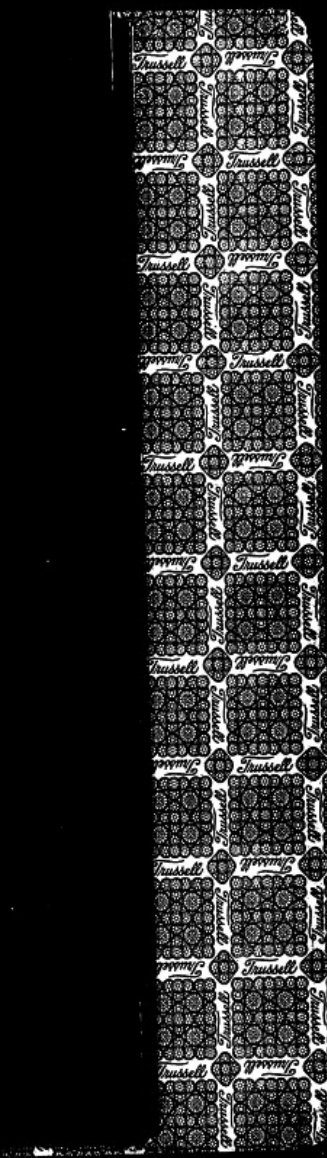

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Just a Thing called Jupiter

Saltford thought The Thing was back last night. And Western Daily Press photographer Graham Kilsby thought he'd caught it on film . . .

But they've probably been seeing Things.

That brilliant white blob in the sky was most likely the planet Jupiter.

In Kilsby's tele-photo lens, it seemed to move backwards and forwards and grow larger and smaller.

Reporter Kenneth De-Vowld thought it was a star—then he wasn't so sure.

And folk in the village near Bath thought all sorts of things . . . or Things. They say they've been seeing it since Friday.

"It surrounded itself in an orange mist and disappeared," said one girl.

'ALL SPIKES'

It had a belt of yellow round it, said one man.

It was an umbrella-like shape, said another.

And all the time it moved from side to side.

Paul Roberts, aged 18, of Bath Road, Saltford, seeing it for the first time last night, said:

"It definitely moved, and I wouldn't expect a star to move."

But Patrick Ladd, committee member of the Western Branch of the British Interplanetary Society, said:

"Anyone you should mention it, I saw probably the same thing on Saturday.

"A group of friends and I grabbed some binoculars and my friends swore it moved.

"But I think it will probably be Jupiter. I haven't checked on exact positions but I wouldn't be surprised if it did turn out to be Jupiter.

"Mind you, if a lot of flying saucers were landed, I'd be delighted."

The Thing (alias Jupiter?) over Saltford last night.

Surrey Advertiser
Guildford, Surrey
Cutting from issue dated 24 DEC 1965
on 12/16

SKY-LIGHT

Sir,—I, too, saw something unusual in the sky towards the end of last week, probably Thursday. It was travelling south by west about the speed of a shooting star, and so could have been over Guildford, Surrey, that night.

It completely passed the glitter and sparkle of Echo I but was quite visible, even after the satellite had entirely passed the earth's atmosphere and was beyond the sun's influence. As regards size, there was no comparison between it and the moon; it was the same large Jupiter seen in the East. If its appearance was due to gravity influence from Guildford, the earth than when visible here, and dropping fast, which has not been calculated with the East or, it travelling north when seen by your correspondent.

Travelling south here and north over Guildford points to a yet undiscovered body in space, and travelling with a body falling rapidly downwards. Perhaps some of your scientifically-minded readers can help. Yours, etc., readers can

Little Chalcroft, H. GRAHAM.
Erwin Road,
West Horsley.

Evening Echo
Bournemouth, Hants
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on 12/17 (?)

Green UFO reported over Hampshire

An unidentified flying object thought by the spectators to be a Comet spacecraft, was seen at Chilcomb, near Basingstoke, by Mr. David Gibbons, aged 27, of Wallis Court, Chilcomb, and a police constable.

Mr. Gibbons was standing outside his house talking to Pc. J. Harwood, of Basingstoke, about 7.55 pm. when he saw an object he judged to be about four to six feet long, shaped like a tadpole, and like a large green dome in front.

The object had a flaming red tail about two or three times the size of the dome. "It was out of sight in a matter of seconds," he said.

"I thought it might have been a Yank in a spacecraft."

Pc. Harwood said: "The colour of it attracted me—green. This may have been caused by low clouds. I have never seen anything like it before."

Evening Herald
Dublin
Cutting from issue dated 26 JAN 1966
on 12/26

'Saucer' also seen in Arklow

An Arklow lady states she also saw a similar "flying saucer" around the same period as that reported seen in the sky from Waterford on St. Stephen's Day.

Miss Marie Hayes, Kingsland, send our correspondent the description in yesterday's Herald exactly like object she saw moving slowly over the town and out over the harbour.

Evening Echo
Bournemouth, Hants.

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A thing in the sky

A REPORT in the Echo a few days ago that an unidentified flying object, thought to be a Gemini spacecraft, had been seen by people at Chineham, near Basingstoke, prompted Miss Margaret Hussey, of 31 Southbourne-road, Bournemouth, to write to me.

She says she saw the same object last week, either Wednesday or Thursday, while walking along Southbourne-road.

Adds Miss Hussey: "I had been to the pillar box in Castlemain - avenue by All Saints' Church and as I turned into this road the 'Thing' appeared.

"It did not apparently come across the sky but suddenly it was there—like a great green tadpole with a flaming tail travelling very fast. It suddenly appeared to dip and disappeared towards Hurn or St. Catherine's Hill.

"There was no-one with me (except my dog who was not interested) and no-one else along the road who could have seen it, but as soon as I got home I said to my friend 'I think I have just seen a comet' and we agreed to look out for any information about it in the Press, so were delighted to find your article."

Bristol Evening Post
Bristol

Cutting from issue dated 31 DEC 196

The 'Thing' returns to a blase town

Warminster's "Thing" is back from its Christmas holidays.

Last night it was seen travelling east, low in the sky.

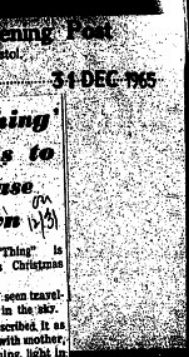
An eyewitness described it as a bright light with another, brilliantly flashing, light in front, gliding slowly across the sky.

It could not have been a plane, said witnesses.

The other usual explanation —that it was something to do with the Army—was set aside when military authorities denied knowledge of it.

In Warminster, news of their "Thing's" reappearance caused little stir.

While the rest of the world thrilled about the "Thing"—soon to be featured in a book published simultaneously in several languages — Warminster treated it as their own tourists' attraction.



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Flying saucers

NOBODY with an elementary knowledge of astronomy could mistake Venus for a flying saucer (Letters, *Monday*). Flying saucers cannot so easily be explained away. Unidentified flying objects have been seen in every part of the world.

I was walking along Blackheath, London, when a woman pointed out a white, disc-like object coming slowly towards us. She asked me in awed tones if it was a flying saucer. I laughed and told her that it was only a meteorological balloon.

This, however, was not the real explanation, for on further examination I found that the thing behaved too strangely to be a balloon drifting in the wind. At times it seemed deliberately to change course and then, at the speed of lightning, it was away to a different part of the sky.

J. M. HALSTOCK,
Abernethy Road, Streatham, London.

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Irish Times
Dublin
12 JAN 1966
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OBJECT IN THE SKY OVER DUBLIN

A number of persons in south Dublin last night saw an object in the sky orbiting in a north-south direction and visible for about 18 minutes. One of those who studied the object with high-power binoculars was Mr. L. D. Peare, Harlech crescent, Dublin, 14.

He told an *Irish Times* reporter he estimated that the object was about 200 miles up and following a course identical to a similar object which he and Mrs. Peare had studied about 10 days ago. Then they had noticed a second object moving in a north-east/south-west orbit, but last night this object was not traced.

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Sandra, who is a member of the 5th Enfield Guide Company was at the junction of Lancaster Road and Browning Road with her friend, 11-year-old Kathleen Clarke, of 35 Sterling Road, when they saw the object.

"I looked into the sky and saw an orange-red disc coming towards us at a far greater speed than an aeroplane," she said. "Suddenly it turned and flew horizontally for a while before it disappeared behind some houses. We never saw it again. It made no sound and we only saw it for about 15 seconds."

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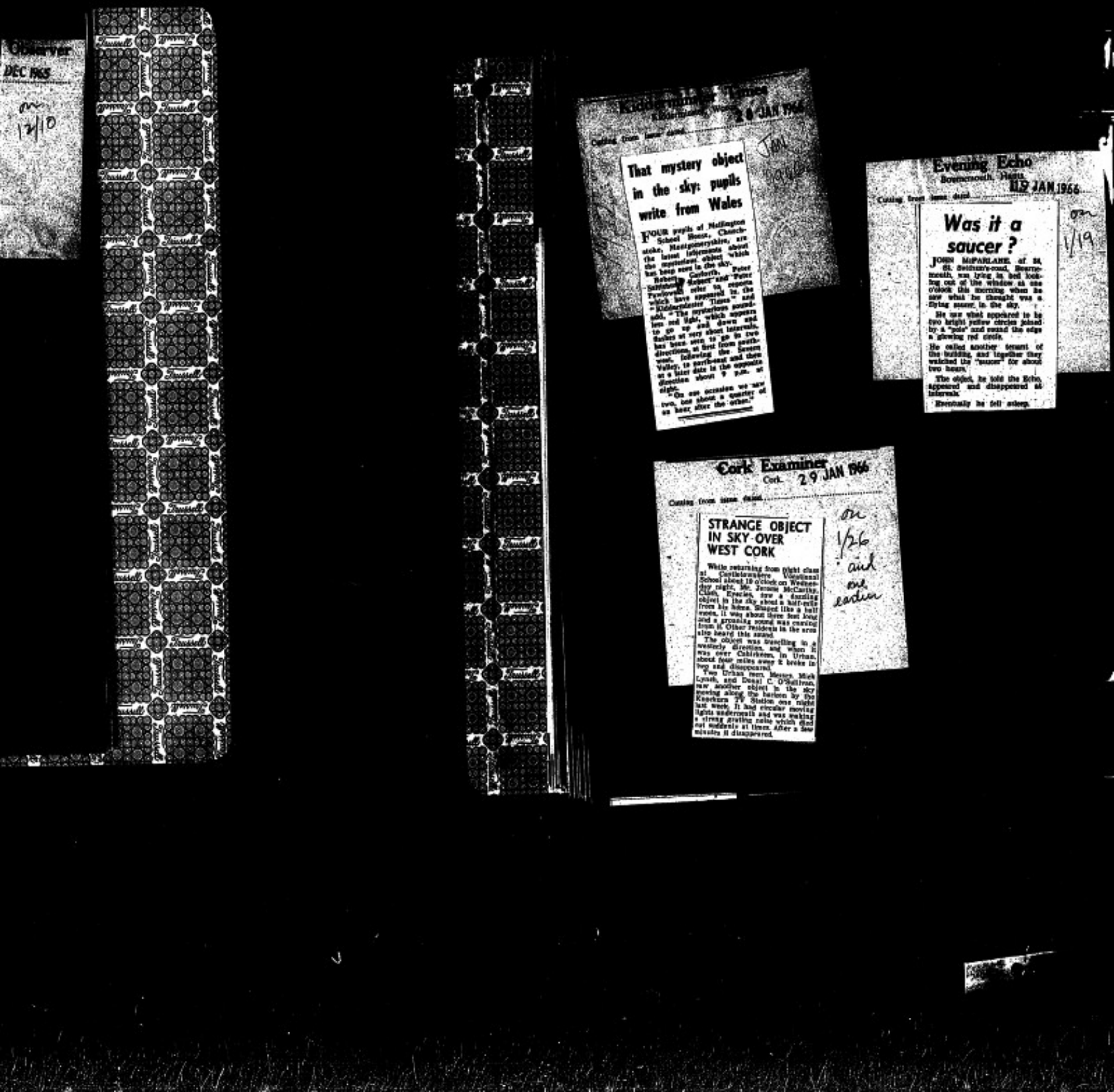

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Kidderminster Times
Kidderminster, Worcs.
29 JAN 1966
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That mystery object in the sky: pupils write from Wales

FOUR pupils of Mellington School House, Churchstoke, Montgomeryshire, are the latest informants about the mysterious object which has been seen in the sky.

Rebecca Corbett, Peter Sutherland Harper and Peter Pyrgovski refer to reports which have appeared in the "Kidderminster Times" and add: "The mysterious sounds and red light, which appears to go up and down and darken at very short intervals, has been seen to go in two directions, at first from north-west, following the Severn Valley, to north-east and then at a later date in the opposite direction about 7 p.m. at night.

"On one occasion we saw two, one about a quarter of an hour after the other."

Evening Echo
Bournemouth, Hants.
19 JAN 1966
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Was it a saucer?

JOHN McFARLANE, of 34, St. Swithun's-road, Bournemouth, was lying in bed looking out of the window at one o'clock this morning when he saw what he thought was a flying saucer in the sky.

He saw what appeared to be two bright yellow circles joined by a "pole" and round the edge a glowing red circle.

He called another tenant of the building, and together they watched the "saucer" for about two hours.

The object, he told the Echo, appeared and disappeared at intervals.

Eventually he fell asleep.

Cork Examiner
Cork 29 JAN 1966
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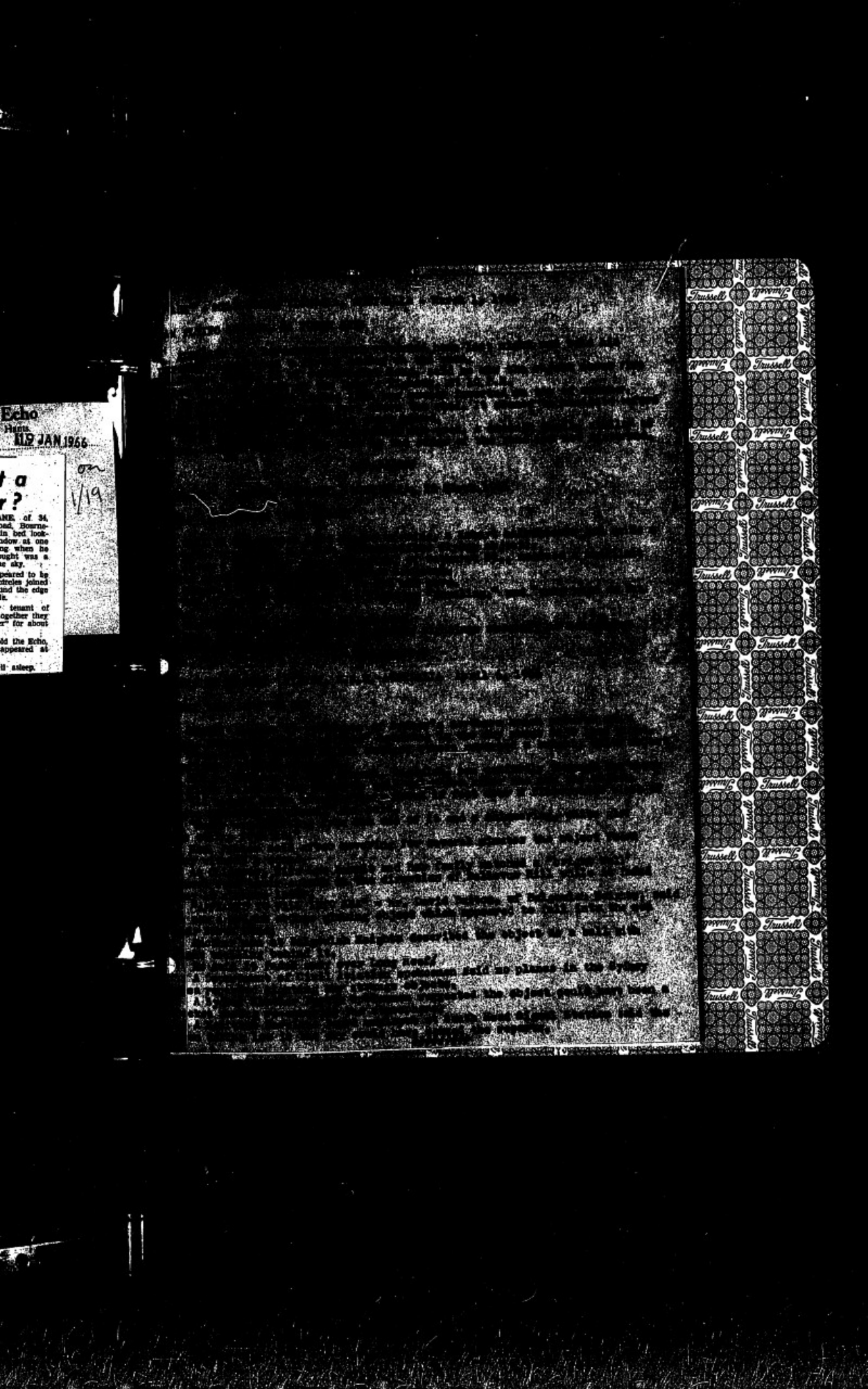
STRANGE OBJECT IN SKY OVER WEST CORK

While returning from night class at Castletownbere Vocational School about 10 o'clock on Wednesday night, Mr. Jerome McCarthy, Cliffs, Eyeries, saw a dazzling object in the sky about a half-mile from his home. Shaped like a half moon, it was about three feet long and a groaning sound was coming from it. Other residents in the area also heard this sound.

The object was travelling in a westerly direction, and when it was over Cahirkeen, in Urhan, about four miles away it broke in two and disappeared.

Two Urhan men, Messrs. Mick Lynch, and Donal C. O'Sullivan, saw another object in the sky moving along the horizon by the Knockuran TV Station one night last week. It had circular moving lights underneath and was making a strong grating noise which died out suddenly at times. After a few minutes it disappeared.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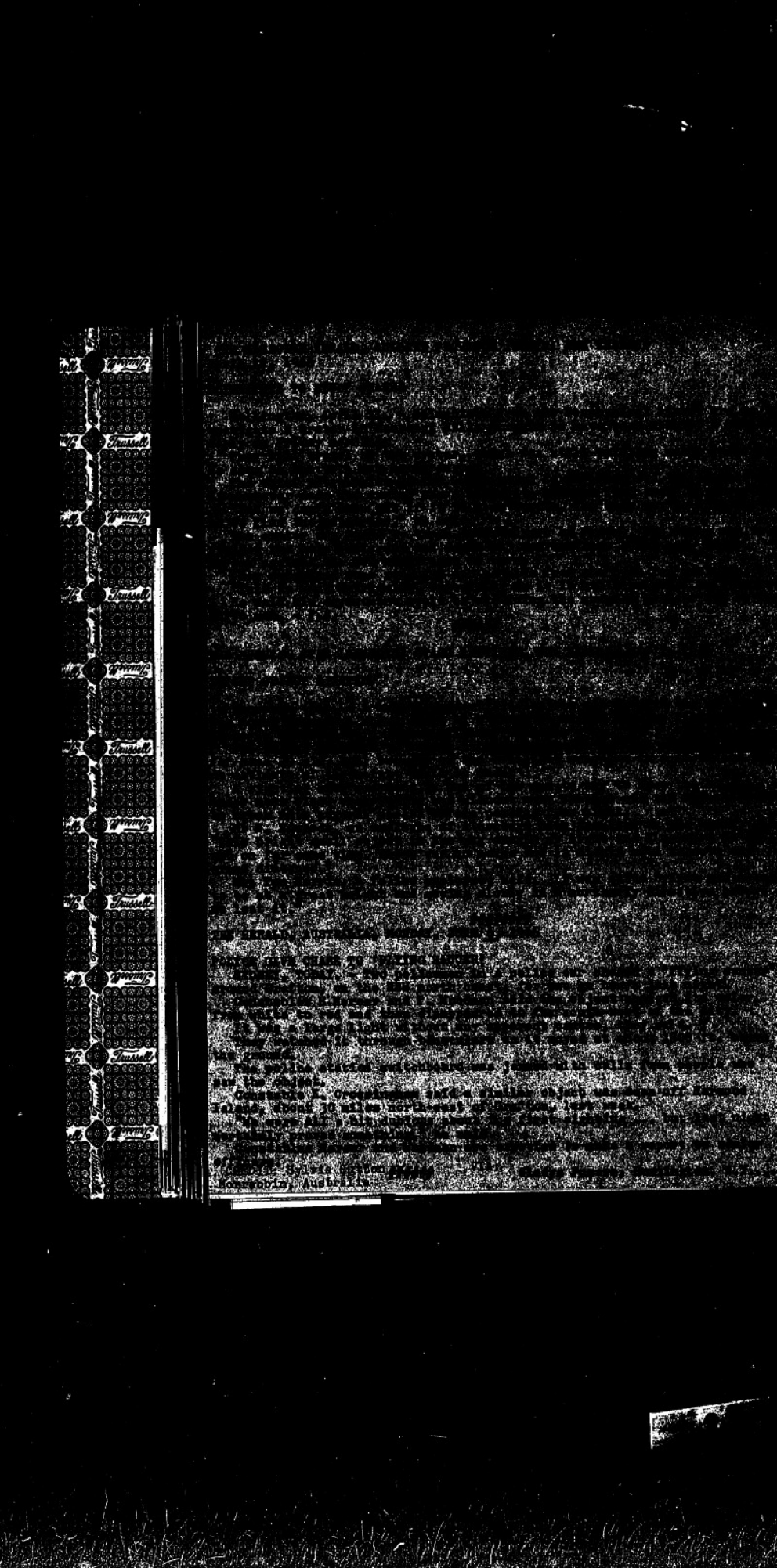

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DESDE 1947 não se passa um mês, talvez um dia, sem que os OANI sejam observados sobre alguma região da Terra. Mas há determinados períodos em que [illegible] atividades [illegible] de verdadeiras crises. [illegible] Marte-Terra. [illegible]

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Em 1948, quando a oposição de Marte deu-se em fevereiro, os OANI foram [illegible] que alcançaram o apogeu em Abril. Em 1950, [illegible] a oposição no mês de Março, as aparições foram mais frequentes nos meses de abril a junho. Em 1952, [illegible] ção de Marte em julho, maior número de observações em julho, agosto e setembro. Em 1954, oposição de Marte em [illegible] Julho, mais numerosas as aparições em setembro, outubro e novembro. No ano passado a oposição de Marte deu-se em setembro e a maior frequência de observações ocorreu de dezembro daquele ano até fevereiro de 57.

E' necessário ressaltar que, durante cada crise, os OANI se concentram sobre determinadas regiões da Terra, deixando as outras em relativa [illegible]. Assim, as primeiras ondas acima referidas (de 48, 50 e 52) concentraram-se sobre a América do Norte, especialmente sobre os EE. UU., abrangendo um pouco da Europa Ocidental e de outras regiões. A 4a. crise já [illegible] parte da Europa (especialmente França, em setembro e outubro) e Norte da África, abrangendo também a América do Sul, principalmente o Brasil. [illegible] Japão, [illegible]

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16—10—57 — CAMPO GRANDE, MT (AD) — OANI paira sobre o Aeroporto. À tarde, causou rebuliço no local. O fato foi comunicado por rádio-telegrafia à Torre de Congonhas. ("Ultima Hora", SP, 17—10—57). Nota: no dia da ocorrência o CICOANI teve conhecimento do fato, através de um comandante da "Real-Aerovias".

16—10—57 — BARRA DO JUCU', ES (AN) — Grande objeto de luz esverdeada, visto ao descer no litoral e, em seguida, ao efetuar um longo vôo rasante antes de desaparecer em sentido vertical. Deixava uma esteira de luz verde-azulada. ("O Globo", 18—10—57).

17—10—57 — BELO HORIZONTE, MG (AN) — Cerca de 20,30 horas, OANI esférico de luz avermelhada, a grande altitude e com grande velocidade, variando o sentido de sua trajetória durante 8 minutos, até desaparecer no horizonte. ("Diário de Minas", 18—10—57 e relnos. 129 e 130).

17—10—57 — RECIFE, PE (AD) — Pela manhã, durante 10 minutos, observado um corpo luminoso deslocando-se muito alto na direção Norte, com muita rapidez. ("Diário Carioca", 18—10—57).

21—10—57 — AMPARO, SP (AN) — A's 21,25 horas, observado feixe oblíquo de luz um foco luminoso mais intenso na parte superior, parecendo bola a girar sobre o seu eixo e ofuscando a visão das testemunhas. A espera, do tamanho da lua cheia, permaneceu imóvel na direção Sul durante 2 minutos apagando-se repentinamente, ao mesmo tempo que o jato de luz. (Rel. n. 131).

22—10—57 — CAMPINA GRANDE, PB (AN) — Cerca de 20 horas: objeto de luz vermelha, imóvel no céu aumentando e diminuindo de tamanho, como se estivesse aproximando e afastando, observado por todos os alunos de um colégio e fotografado por um deles. ("O Norte", J. Pessoa, 24—10—57).

22-10-57. — RIO DE JANEIRO, DF (AN). — A's 20,30 horas, durante 5 minutos foi observado um OANI percorrendo trajetória curvilínea, em plano horizontal. Esfera luminosa de contornos nítidos, côr avermelhada, apareceu imóvel do lado Norte, apagando e acendendo sua luz. Com velocidade de avião a jato, deslocou-se depois para o Sul, desaparecendo no horizonte. (Rel. Nos. 134 e 135).

25-10-57 — SANTOS, SP (AD). — Das imediações da Barra foi avistado estranho objeto, brilhante como bola de alumínio, a cruzar o céu com velocidade irregular. (O Est. S. Paulo, 26|10|57.

25-10-57 — RIO DE JANEIRO, DF (AN). — De Copacabana: objeto de intensa luminosidade, destacando-se no céu estrelado e fazendo movimentos de um lado para outro. Aumentava e diminuia de tamanho, assim como a intensidade de seu brilho. Holofotes e aviões vasculhando o céu, teriam sido vistos pelas testemunhas. ("Diário da Noite", 26|10|57).

25-10-57 — BELO HORIZONTE MG (AN) — Duas esferas vermelhas de grande luminosidade, observadas durante mais de 1 hora a fazer movimentos aparentemente dirigidos, apagando e acendendo com frequência. ("Diário de Minas", 26|10|57).

25-10-57 — CURITIBA, PR (AD) — Cêrca das 17,20 horas em Vila Guaira, um fotógrafo profissional bateu uma fotografia de um objeto circular, em movimento rápido, cuja altitude êle estimou ser de 600 metros. ("O Jornal", Rio, 29|10|57).

25-10-57 — CURVELO, MG — Explosões: Cêrca de 8,30 horas, da localidade de Tomaz Gonzaga (município de Curvelo) ouviram-se três explosões consecutivas, a primeira violentíssima. A terra tremeu e o céu se amarelou. As explosões ocorreram aparentemente no ar, seguindo a direção Oeste-Leste. O seu êco foi ouvido de inúmeras localidades, entre as quais: Morro do Garça, Corinto, Gouveia, Paraúna, Sabindópolis, Brejaúba e proximidades de Diamantina. Algumas dessas localidades, distam mais de 150 Km. de Tomaz Gonzaga. ("O Diário", 26, 27, 30 e 31|10|57).

26-10-57 — GUARUJA', SP (AD) — A's 9 horas da manhã os funcionários da Delegacia de Polícia avistaram, a cêrca de mil metros de altitude, um OANI redondo, de brilho fulgurante. Imóvel a princípio, o objeto virou lentamente, deixando ver sua parte superior. Sua forma era a de um prato, com uma saliência redonda em cima. Com movimento ondulante, o objeto iniciou um deslocamento veloz e desapareceu. A FAB pediu relatório e silêncio às testemunhas. ("Ultima Hora", SP, 31-10-57).

26-10-57 — MACEIO', AL (AN) — A's 18,35 horas, OANI avistado na vertical de um morro, em Riacho Doce, na direção O.NO. Forma de 2 pratos colados pelas bocas, grande tamanho aparente tinha 2 focos luminosos como faróis, um superior, outro inferior. Distanciou-se com velocidade de avião, iluminando o sólo que sobrevoava. Regressou com luz inferior apagada e acêsa a superior. Sua face superior era brilhante e a inferior pratesada fôsca; os bordos eram cercados por forte luminosidade esverdeada, interrompida por faixas verticais escuras. Afastando-se novamente, o objeto tornou-se invisível. Duas das testemunhas subiram ao morro e, avistando objeto à distância, uma delas fez sinais luminosos com sua lanterna. Reagindo a êstes sinais, o OANI acendeu seu farol superior e aproximou-se da vertical do morro. Temendo maior aproximação, uma das testemunhas jogou-se ao sólo e o companheiro desfez-se da carabina que levava. As testemunhas retornaram à casa antes que o objeto desaparecesse. ("Gazeta de Alagôas"; Maceió, 19|11|57).

Pelo CICOANI

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O grande número de ocorrências a registrar nesta documentário impediu-nos de detalhar cada caso, mesmo os mais importantes. De resto, maiores detalhes, inclusive os nomes das testemunhas, constam das fontes indicadas ao pé de cada registro, as quais poderiam ser consultadas pelos interessados.

Nosso objetivo foi apenas apresentar aos leitores de O DIARIO uma visão geral, a mais completa possível, do que constituiu a segunda onda de "discos voadores" sôbre o Brasil. Notícias provenientes de outras partes do mundo dão-nos conta de que o recrudescimento das aparições foi geral, atingindo a culminância logo após os lançamentos dos "Sputniks".

Através do exame deste documentário pode-se notar que, na medida em que a onda vai chegando ao seu término — [illegible] — cresce a proporção dos relatórios sôbre OANIS pousados no sólo ou a baixa altitude. O mesmo fenômeno ocorreu na onda anterior ([illegible]), como a indicar que os misteriosos tripulantes dos "discos voadores", após fazerem um levantamento geral e à distância dos objetivos que lhes interessam em cada região, começam a se aproximar dêsses objetivos, para exames mais detalhados.

[illegible] — ARCOVERDE, PE (AD) — Grande objeto luminoso deslocando-se no ar com muita velocidade. Em certo momento o OANI perdeu altitude, dando a impressão de que iria pousar [illegible]. («Correio do Povo», Recife, [illegible]).

[illegible] — LORENA, SP (AN) — [illegible]

[illegible] — [illegible], MG (AN) — [illegible]

[illegible] — LIMA DUARTE, MG (AN) — [illegible]

[illegible] — GOLFO DO MEXICO (AD) — [illegible]

... permanecerá visível por vários minutos. Observados de vários bairros [illegible] («Diário Carioca», [illegible]).

7-11-57 — RIO DE JANEIRO, DF — Próximo ao Corcovado, foi visto um objeto de forma triangular, cercado por uma auréola [illegible]. Por três vezes consecutivas, o objeto dividiu-se em duas metades e uma destas desceu verticalmente, ocasião em que diminuía o brilho de cada uma. Logo depois voltavam a se unir. [illegible] o objeto como antes. [illegible]

[illegible] — MEXICO — [illegible]

[illegible] — MACEIO, AL (AD) — [illegible]

... horas por 40 minutos. Em seguida, subiu mais um pouco, parou [illegible] horizontalmente, desaparecendo a [illegible].

14-11-57 — CAMPINAS, SP (AN) — Objeto com forma de um tonel, com as extremidades a girar velozmente, emitindo forte luminosidade alaranjada. O tamanho foi calculado em 30 metros («Jornal do Comércio», Rio, 17-11-57).

14-11-57 — [illegible], MG (AN) — OANI luminoso acompanhando velozmente a linha do horizonte. («Diário de Minas», 16-11-57).

15-11-57 — BELO HORIZONTE, MG (AN) — Observado à noite objeto luminoso e estranho. Detalhes ainda desconhecidos.

[illegible] — BAGÉ, RS (AN) — De 21.45 às 22.05 horas, um objeto luminoso permaneceu imóvel no céu, descendo depois, para pousar na área do Jockey Clube [illegible]. [illegible]

[illegible] — RIO DE JANEIRO, DF (AN) — [illegible]

[illegible] — MARACAJA, SC (AD) — [illegible]

... [illegible] (contador de radioatividade) gigante e parou subitamente. Chegando à janela e [illegible] da arfagem, a senhora se recolheu. Na madrugada seguinte, veio à sua casa um casal [illegible], residente nas vizinhanças, anunciar que [illegible] 19,00 horas da noite [illegible] um aparelho rodando, emitindo luz verde e avermelhada, [illegible] sôbre um morro próximo, onde fez pequenas evoluções durante 20 minutos. (Relatório verbal).

22—11—57 — BAMBUI, MG (AN) — A zero hora observado OANI de forma alongada (precedido de forte clarão e desprendendo focos de luzes azul [illegible] em todas as direções. Parecia estar subindo e desapareceu em poucos segundos. (O DIARIO 25—11—57)

22—11—57 — BARRETOS, SP (AN) — Cêrca de 19.45 horas, observada durante 1 minuto a passagem de um objeto [illegible] de luz avermelhada, em vôo retilíneo horizontal. («O Estado de São Paulo», 23.11-57)

24—11—57 — MACEIO, AL (AD) — A's 17.15 horas, um OANI redondo e luminoso teria sido observado e fotografado do centro da cidade.

25—11—57 — SÃO CARLOS SP (AN) — [illegible]

[illegible] — MOGI MIRIM SP (AN) — [illegible]

[illegible] — CAPELA, AL (AN) — [illegible]

[illegible] — RIO DE JANEIRO, DF (AN) — [illegible]

[illegible] — PESSOS, MG (AN) — [illegible] (O DIARIO, [illegible]—12—57).

apoio. («O Globo», 25-11-57).

4-11-57 — GOLPO DO MEXICO (AD) — As 11,30 horas GMT, de bordo do navio brasileiro «Petrobrás», observado um OANI de luz pratenda e forte, de intensidade variável. Antes de desaparecer no horizonte, direção nordeste, o objeto efetuou rápidos movimentos ascendentes e descendentes. («Jornal do Brasil», 6-11-57).

4-11-57 — CONC. DO MATO DENTRO, MG (AD) — Cêrca de 9 horas da manhã, na localidade de Brejaúba, foi observada a passagem rápida de um OANI luminoso, de forma oval e côr avermelhada. («O DIARIO», 9-11-57).

5-11-57 —PORTO ALEGRE, RS (AN) — Côrpo luminoso variando do vermelho para o branco azulado, explicado depois como sendo Venus. («Diário de Notícias», Rio 7-11-57 «O Jornal», 8-11-57).

5-1157 — BARPENDI, MG (AN) — Nova observação de um OANI luminoso cortando o céu impressionou a população. («O Jornal», 8-11-57).

6-11-57 — RIO DE JANEIRO, DF (AN) — Objeto achatado, de intensa luminosidade, voando vagarosamente na direção Sul, observado do Bairro da Tijuca, às 17,28 horas. («Tr. Imprensa», 7-11-57).

6-11-57 — GOIANIA, GO (AN) — OANI de luz azulada, imobilizou-se cêrca de 1 minuto no ar. («Diário de Minas», 7-11-57).

6-11-57 — SAO PAULO, SP (AD) — Côrpo brilhante, observado imóvel durante as primeiras horas da tarde, depois explicado como sendo Venus por alguns e balão de matéria plástica por outros. («O Globo», 7-11-57).

7-11-57 — RIO DE JANEIRO, DF (AN) — Corpo luminoso não

velório de Juscelino, em Belo Horizonte. (Rel. n. 143).

7-11-57 — RIO DE JANEIRO, DF (AN) — Objeto brilhante, pela manhã (não era o Sputnik). AUSTRALIA — Astrônomos do Observatório de Camberra virgem, em movimento, estranho objeto de côr rosada, pela manhã. ITALIA — Pela manhã, observação de Roma. CANI luminoso, de forma oval. FRANCA — À noite, bola de fogo, alaranjada e circundada de faíscas, cruza sôbre a Usina Atômica de Marcoulle.

1011-57 — BELO HORIZONTE, MG (AD) — As 15,30, céu claro, 2 objetos esféricos e brilhantes, um branco outro avermelhado, a grande altitude, imóveis e em movimento. Após observarem o fato, alguns populares lançaram balões ao céu, não se notando a mínima semelhança entre êstes e os OANIS, observados de vários bairros. (Rel. n.º 139).

10-11-57 — VARGINHA, MG (AD) — Cêrca das 13 horas, sobrevoou Varginha um objeto redondo, de côr metálica. Deslocava-se silenciosamente com grande velocidade, a grande altura, aparecendo e desaparecendo sucessivas vezes. («Ultima Hora», SP, 11-11-57).

10-11-57 — MANHUAÇU, MG (AD) — As 18,30 horas, deslocando-se no sentido Leste-Oeste, objeto intensamente luminoso, de grande porte e formato muito estranho («Diário de Minas», 12-11-57).

10-11-57 — DORES DO INDAIA MG (AD) — Cêrca de 15,40 horas, seguindo direção Norte, 4 bolas brilhantes de côr branca passaram a intervalos regulares, umas das outras. Grande altitude, grande velocidade, trajetória retilínea e horizontal. (Rel. n.º 145).

10-11-57 — BELO HORIZONTE MG (AN) — As 20,15 horas, do bairro Pedro II, observada estranha luminosa seguindo trajetória retilínea e horizontal, de sentido Norte-Sul, com velocidade superior à de um avião. Ausência de ruído. (Rel. n.º 137).

11-11-57 — BELO HORIZONTE, MG (AD) — As 7,25 da manhã, OANI com forma de prato, observado na direção Sudeste durante 7 minutos. Apesar da luz do Sol (pouco acima do nascente), sua luminosidade prateada era tão forte que ofuscava a vista dos observadores. («Diário da Tarde», 11-11-57).

12-11-57 — RIO DE JANEIRO, DF (AD) — As 10,30 horas: Do Campo dos Afonsos (Escola de Aeronáutica), observada uma bola luminosa que acendia e apagava, em movimento. Pareceu dividir-se em duas partes, uma luminosa e outra opaca. («O Globo», 13-11-57).

12-11-57 — CACHOEIRA DO SUL, RS (AN) Um objeto ovalado, de 4 a 5 metros de diâmetro, com luz avermelhada na parte superior e com farol que dirigia luz intensa sôbre o terreno, foi visto imóvel a 80 metros do solo, sobre uma das pistas de Aeroporto local, às 23,30 horas. Um das testemunhas se aproximou a 500 metros e o objeto subiu, oscilando, até 3 mil metros, onde perma-

neceu [illegible] temperatura.

18-11-57. — MARACAJA, SC (AD) — A's 10,30 horas, de uma distância de 200 metros, foram observados 2 aparelhos redondos de aparência metálica e 3 metros de diâmetro, estacionados a 1 metro do solo. Ao se aproximarem as testemunhas, saíram de uma chaminé ao lado, 8 indivíduos altos, maduros e de vestimentas estranhas os quais rapidamente subiram nos aparelhos três em cada um. Ao decolarem os dois engenhos, ouviu-se três explosões subiram de três de vegetação, desaparecendo os 5 numa velocidade alucinante. Moradores da vizinhança afirmaram ter visto discos de longe e ouvido fracos zumbidos («Jornal do Dia», P. Alegre, 24—11—57).

18—11—57 — RECIFE, PE (AN) — A's 20.00 horas, sôbre o Quartel da 14 Brigada de Infantaria um OANI imóvel a grande altura, aumentava e diminuia em tamanho gradativamente. De luz envolvida dos seus lados saiam raios. A's vezes tomava forma oval e o diâmetro maior na linha vertical. Ao crescer e diminuir aparecia mancha escura em seu centro e, ao mesmo tempo, raios luminosos saíram obliquamente, ora por cima, ora por baixo do objeto. Ao ser observado ao binóculo, seus contornos pareciam bem definidos. As vezes oscilava como pendulo de relogio. Havia luzes vermelhas em seus bordos. A observação, que durou 20 minutos, provocou a abertura de inquérito, pelas autoridades do Regimento. («Correio do Povo», Recife 1-12-57).

18—11—57 — ROTA LA PAZ — CORUMBA', MT (AD) — De bordo de um avião da Força Aérea da Bolívia a 190 metros de altitude foi observado durante 2 minutos um disco esférico de grandes proporções. Um relatório detalhado foi dirigido às autoridades bolivianas.

20—11—57 — ITAPEVA, SP (AN) — Intenso clarão no céu seguindo-se um barulho ensurdecedor (3 explosões sucessivas e inexplicadas). («Folha da Manhã», SG 11—12—57). Nota do CICOANI: Ver registro do dia 25—10—57, explosões em Curvelo, MG. No mês de Dezembro, a tripulação de um petroleiro inglês, navegando no Mar do Norte, viu o céu iluminar-se com um clarão extraordinariamente brilhante. A cobertura do navio, originalmente branca, ficou vermelha com o aparecimento de uma película formada por substancia desconhecida. Essa película desapareceu uns cinco dias depois. («Tribuna da Imprensa», 18—12—57).

21—11—57 — MATUTINA, MG — Explosão: A's 12 horas foi avistado um objeto estranho, seguido de um ruido tremendo. («O DIARIO, ... 22—11—57).

21—11—57 — CONC. DO MATO DENTRO, MG— AN — As 19,00 horas, a concessionária de uma lavra de minérios, em Brejaúba, ouviu um ruido sul-ganarja, de algo voando bajxo sôbre a sua casa. O ruido foi comparado ao de um cinti-

lante evoluindo sôbre a Baia de Guanabara, com grande velocidade. Ao passar uma aeronave o OANI subiu, reaparecendo depois. ("A Noticia". Rio 12—12—57).

27—11—57 — FERROS, MG (AN) — 19,15 horas: OANI da côr da Lua (luz fôsca) — realizando silenciosamente em linha reta e horizontal do Norte para o Sul. (O DIARIO, 5—12—57).

27—11—57 — BELO HORIZONTE, MG (AN) — Cêrca de 19,15 horas, de Agua Limpa, foi observado OANI circular girando em torno de seu eixo. Grande luminosidade, fez evoluções antes de desaparecer no horizonte. ("Diário da Tarde" 29—11—57). Nota: No dia da ocorrência, o CICOANI recebeu, do Bairro de Santo Antonio, uma comunicação telefônica referindo-se á passagem dêste objeto.

27—11—57 — TEREZINA, PI — De Terezina, assim como das cidades cearenses de Ipu, Ubajara, Sobral e Crato avistados OANIS deslocando-se horizontalmente, sem deixar rastro de luz. ("O Jornal", — 29—11—57).

27—11—57 — CAPELA, AL (AN) — Durante 30 minutos um objeto sobrevoou a Fazenda "Pedrinhas". Passando á baixa altura, foi observada a sua forma esférica e luz alaranjada. ("O Jornal" — 5—12—57).

28—11—57 — DORES DO INDAIA', MG (AN) — A's 22 horas, de local ermo foi avistado um OANI a baixa altura, imóvel, acendendo e apagando sua luz clara. Ao acender, de novo apareceram á sua direita mais duas esferas luminosas iguais, de contôrnos nitidos. Os 3 objetos deslocaram-se rumo norte, silenciosamente sempre acendendo e apagando. Pouco depois retornou um dêles que após apagar sua luz não reacendendo de novo, desapareceu. Com receio de serem notados pelo objeto, os observadores deixaram apagados os faróis de sua camioneta. (Rel. n. 144).

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"O DIARIO" B. HORIZONTE

OBJETOS LUMINOSOS NÃO IDENTIFICADOS ALVEJADOS A TIROS EM DÔRES DO INDAIÁ

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DOIS GLOBOS LUMINOSOS

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REAÇÃO IMEDIATA

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INFORMADAS AS AUTORIDADES

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...vendo rápida trajetória ...ntes e horizontal e deixando uma esteira de luz esbranquiçada. (R-1 nº 107).

14-7-57 — PINHEIROS ALTOS MG (AC) — OANI maior do que a Lua cheia, brilhante e de forma oval, tendo à retaguarda um ponto que desprendia fortíssimos raios luminosos, atravessou o céu da cidade às 18 horas, em vôo reto e horizontal, impressionando a população. (Tribuna de Minas, 14-8-57).

(see part four IV)

19-8-57 — BELO HORIZONTE, MG (AN) — A's 20.30 horas dois corpos luminosos deslocando-se em velocidade vem nos planos horizontal e vertical, com velocidade apreciável. («D'Diário de Minas» 8. Fls., 20/8/57).

19-8-57 — S. PAULO, SP (AN) — OANI fazendo evolução em madrugada chuvosa: de intensa luminosidade de tom amarelo-laranja, foi observado durante 2 minutos e meio. ("Diário da Noite", 21-8-57).

20-8-57 — RIO DE JANEIRO DF (AN) — Holofotes da Aeroporto S. Dumont, da Fortaleza São João e de navios ancorados na Ilha das Cobras localizaram um objeto luminoso estranho, à cêrca de 1.000 metros de altitude, o qual desapareceu rapidamente. ("Diário Carioca, 24-8-57).

23-8-57 — RIO DE JANEIRO DF (AD) — A's 15,34 horas, do Rio e de Niterói foi observado, ao Noroeste da Baía de Guanabara, um objeto fazendo movimentos de vai-e-vem. Descrito como tendo a forma de uma bacia, "luminoso como se fôsse de vidro ou metal polido". («O Dia» e «D. Carioca de 24/8/57).

24-8-57 — BELO HORIZONTE, MG (AC) — A's 17,45 horas, observado das proximidades da Pampulha um OANI luminoso, de côr verde invariável, em deslocamento silencioso, retilíneo, e levemente ascencional, de direção Sul-Norte. Antes de desaparecer desprendeu-se dele um segundo objeto, semelhante porém menor, que passou a voar a seu lado. (Rel. nº 110). Testemunhas de outros pontos confirmaram o fato, em relatórios verbais.

24-8-57 — BELO HORIZONTE, MG) — AC) — Pouco antes do crepúsculo, foi observado e fotografado um foco luminoso imóvel e abaixo de um bloco de nuvens cumuliformes, do lado da

24—8—57 — ITAPETININGA, BA, (AC) — Observado estranho objeto luminoso por numerosas pessoas. ("A Tarde", Salvador, ...).9/57.

24—8—57 — PETROLINA PE (AC) — Aprox. às 17,30 hora, objeto luminoso de forma oval e cor verde fluorescente, observado durante 3 minutos, ao deslocar-se em silencio com uma trajetória retilínea e horizontal. ("Diário de Pernambuco". Recif ...).8/57.

24—8—57 — TEOFILO OTONI E ITAMBACURI, MG (AC) — Em T. Otoni, à hora do crepusculo, passou um OANI de cor verde-clara e forte luminosidade. Forma oval. Deslocamento horizontal com esteira luminosa. Na vizinha cidade de Itambacuri foi observado quasi ao mesmo tempo um objeto que, após dividir-se em três partes, estas passaram a voar em perfeita formação. (Correio da Manhã, 26/8/57).

24—8—57 — SALINAS, MG (AC) — OANI observado simultaneamente da cidade e da Fazenda "Boa Viagem", cerca das 18,30 horas. Luz brilhante, cor esbranquiçada no centro e esverdeada nas bordas. Apareceu do lado norte e ascendeu velozmente em direção a uma camada de nuvens acima e, antes de nela mergulhar, fez uma brusca parada. Não fazia ruido. (rel. n. 124)

24—8—57 — DIAMANTINA, MG (AC) — Parece que Diamantina foi o centro das intensas atividades dos OANIS durante o crepúsculo do dia 24. Durante cerca de 15 minutos foram observados, por centenas de pessoas, objetos a sulcar o céu em todas as direções e altitudes, ora vindo isolados, ora em grupo de 2 e até de 6. Todos os objetos observados grandes e pequenos, emitiam luz clara esverdeada e eram arredondados, exceto um OANI de forma fuselada, côr amarela e cauda de fôgo, que passou à frente de um caminhão no norte do município (Centagem), em vôo razante calculado de 25 metros acima do sólo (rel. n. 122). Os relatórios coincidem quanto às principais características dos objetos. Além do caso dos 6 OANIS vindo em formação (4 grandes e 2 pequenos, em fila indiana — rel. nos. 113 e 121).

17-8-57).

12-8-57 — S. MARÍA DO SUASSUI', MG (AN) — A's 20 horas, céu estrelado foi visto de uma Fazenda próxima um grande objeto luminoso de forma alongada de côr esverdeada e mais brilhante na parte dianteira. Deslocando-se horizontalmente, sem ruído, o objeto deixou para trás uma parte de seu côrpo que ficou imóvel no céu. Subitamente retrocedeu, unindo-se à parte de trás e disparou de novo para a frente, desaparecendo. (Rel. nº 150)

12-8-57 — JOAIMA, MG (AN) — Da Fazenda "Santa Clara" observou-se um OANI com forma de torpédo, de tamanho superior a 20 metros, mais bojudo na parte dianteira. Sôbre êste objeto desceu do alto um outro que a êle se uniu pela parte de cima como uma tampa. Neste momento, labaredas foram expelidas pela cauda e pareciam pingar do objeto blocos incandescentes, cuja luz ofuscava a visão das testemunhas estarrecidas. Simultâneamente ouviu-se um ruido semelhante ao de uma caldeira descarregando a pressão. Nada foi encontrado no solo. (Rel. nº 148).

hia a 1.500 metros e afastou-se em direção oposta. Ao se afastar as faróis do caminhão crescem e assim foi possivel dar partida ao motor do veiculo. (Rel. n. 147)

15—10—57 — I.TO DE JANEIRO, DF (AN) — Informe "Estrêla de brilho diferente", imóvel e em movimento variando de côr para o vermelho. (Ultima Hora, Rio, 16—10—57).

15—10—57 — OBIDOS, PA (AN) — Côrpo celéreo de luz opaca deslocando-se a extraordinária velocidade. ("A Provincia do Pará", Belém, 18—10—57).

15—10—57 — JUIZ DE FORA, MG (AN) — A's 20 horas, um OANI foi observado imóvel, pouco acima do horizonte, ao poente. Luz opaca, azulada, tipo fluorescente. Forma de 2 pires justapostos contornos nítidos, saliência na parte superior. Desaparição repentina. (Rel. nos. 132 e 133).

16—10—57 — SÃO PAULO, SP (AD) — A's 14,55 horas tendo a aeronave PP-YPQ acabado de pousar, o seu comandante co-

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"Meteóritos Ou Satélites Artificiais?"

O Observador e Estudioso Hulvio Brant Aleixo Faz Hoje Para os Leitores do DIARIO DO COMERCIO Interessantes Considerações Sôbre o Fenômeno Sideral Recentemente Assistido Pelo Estado - (Leia na Ultima Pág., Artigo de HBA)

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Meteóritos Ou Satélites Arficiais?

O fenômeno aéreo que chamou a atenção do [illegible]

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METEORITOS OU SATELITES...

(CONCLUSÃO)

os corpos caíram em determinadas áreas, mas jamais foi encontrado qualquer vestígio no terreno, apesar das referências explícitas das testemunhas a ruídos, [illegible]

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Se os fenômenos repetidos já por três vezes [illegible] Meteoritos ou Satélites Artificiais?

Hulvio Brant Aleixo — Dir., fund. do CICOANI

"O DIÁRIO"

BELO HORIZONTE

22 AGO 1958

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Ufologia (Estudo dos Discos Voadores)

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Esta era a aparência do OANI que sobrevoou Paraíba do Sul no dia 19 de Junho, segundo descrição e desenho, enviados ao CICOANI pela testemunha principal, Profa. Lia Souto de Carvalho.

Às 14,45 horas do dia 19 de Junho de 1958, [illegible]

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Um dos casos mais estranhos ocorridos no Brasil

Depois que um OANI de singular aparência cruza o espaço e um misterioso segmento de luz percorre um sala de aulas, uma chuva de substância desconhecida cai sôbre a região.

A's 14,45 horas do dia 19 de Junho de 1958, no pátio da Escola «Horacio de Melo», em Cacará, 4.º Distrito do Municipio de Paraiba do Sul, Estado do Rio de Janeiro, a menina Georgelina da Cunha (12 anos) chamou a atenção de suas colegas que brincavam e de sua professora, D. Lia Soeiro da Carvalho, para uma «bola com caudas que cruzava o céu».

A professora viu realmente, deslocando-se no céu azul, sem fazer ruido, uma esfera de contornos bem definidos e de côr prateada fosca, apresentando na parte posterior um apêndice da mesma côr, de formato retangular ou cilindrico. Com a velocidade de um avião, o OANI seguia uma trajetoria retilinea e horizontal, até desaparecer detrás duma das montanhas, na direção Sudoeste.

Após observar o fenomeno por alguns segundos, juntamente com a Srta. Inês Maria (20 anos), sua auxiliar, e a maioria de seus 21 alunos (de 7 a 12 anos), a Profa. Lia de Carvalho ficou bastante nervosa e recolheu as crianças à sala de aula. Mas neste local aconteceu algo que ainda mais a impressionou:

Uma intensa luminosidade entrou inesplicavelmente pela esta, quando pousou sobre os olhos da professora, a sua visão escureceu e ela foi obrigada a baixar a cabeça. Em seguida viu uma luz ofuscante fixar-se na cintura da aluna Georgelina da Cunha, justamente a que primeiro observou o objeto no céu. A principio, a professora julgou ser a ofuscação um produto dos raios solares que, possivelmente entrando pela intercessão das janelas (do tipo basculante), estivessem incidindo sobre algum objeto de metal polido colocado à altura da cintura da menina. Mas esta afirmou não estar carregando nenhum objeto e a professora notou ainda que pelas janelas não entravam nenhum feixe de raios solares. O estranho segmento de luz, com formo retangular, partia do meio da sala de 8 metros de comprimento e máscia-se em todas as direções, fixando-se rapidamente no quadro negro, no palco e depois nos óculos da Srta. Inês Maria.

Após acompanharem todos os movimentos da luz, as testemunhas, muito surpresas, levantaram-se e saíram para o pátio em busca de uma explicação para o fenomeno. Ao observar o ceu limpo e azul, tiveram outra surpresa: uma chuva de substancia pulverizada, em forma de grãos bem finos, como limalha de um metal desconhecido, precipitava-se do céu. Em pouco tempo quase todas as crianças tinham amostras daquela substancia nas mãos.

Em seu relatorio para o CICOANI (n. 162), no qual a Professora Lia de Carvalho confirma plenamente as suas declarações prestadas ao jornal «O Globo», do Rio de Janeiro (30 — 7 — 58), ela repete:

«Nunca tive tanta dificuldade em tomar uma decisão como naquele momento. Algumas crianças já choravam e outras queriam ir para casa. Tão nervosa fiquei, que me esqueci de guardar um pouco da substancia, logo mandando que as crianças lavassem as mãos. Entretanto, eu soube depois que uma delas levou um pouco daquela matéria ao pai, na caixinha fechada.» No dia seguinte, ninguém quis voltar à Escola. A estranha chuva caiu durante mais de vinte minutos. O mesmo corpo estranho que nós vimos no céu, foi avistado da vizinha Fazenda «Santa Inês», pela menina Maria Hélia Silveira. Outra testemunha do fenomeno, também residente nas vizinhanças, é o sr. Josias Batista da Silva. Ao ser perguntado pelo reporter do jornal «O Globo» sobre o que havia pensado na ocasião a professora disse que teve a estranha sensação de estar sendo observada, quando o foco de luz fixou-se na cintura de Georgelina da Cunha.

Esta era a aparência do OANI que sobrevoou Paraíba do Sul no dia 19 de Junho, segundo descrição e desenho, enviados ao CICOANI pela testemunha principal, Profa. Lia Soeiro de Carvalho.

UFOLOGIA (estudo dos discos voadores)

OS DISCOS VOADORES NA ITALIA

COLABORAÇÃO DO CENTRO DE INVESTIGAÇÃO CIVIL DOS OBJETOS AÉREOS NÃO IDENTIFICADOS

Até 1952 os OANI mostraram uma especial predileção pela América do Norte notadamente pelos EE. UU., razão porque os europeus, de um modo geral, tinham a tendência de considerar o problema mais sob o ponto de vista de uma "história" norte-americana.

E' certo que em 1952 a Europa também foi palco de acontecimentos importantes. Mas apenas em 1954, quando a frequencia das observações aumentou no Velho Continente, é que os europeus sentiram de perto a realidade objetiva do problema. Os acontecimentos na França em Setembro e Outubro de 54 e na Itália, em Outubro e Novembro, causaram viva impressão nos países da Europa Ocidental. Certas ocorrências foram tão importantes que merecerão registro à parte, nesta secção.

Divulgaremos hoje apenas um sucinto relatório apresentado ao Quarto Congresso da Associação Astronômica Italiana, pelo Sr. Ezequiel Zupynki, diretor-fundador do C.I.R.N.O.S. — "Centro Indipendente Ricerche Notizie Osservazioni Spaziali", pioneiro das pesquisas sôbre os discos no Brasil e muito atuante no que se refere às comunicações que ele encetou:

PRIMEIRO RELATÓRIO APÓS UM ANO DE ATIVIDADE

Constituido por alguns estudiosos em Outubro de 1954, em Piumetto, o CIRNOS comunica os principais resultados da colheita de dados sôbre aparições de Discos-Voadores (OANIS) assinaladas na Itália pela Imprensa, por cartas ou através dos questionários distribuidos gratuitamente pelo mesmo Centro.

1 — Foram registradas mais de 120 observações em 82 localidades diversas da Itália peninsular, da Sicília, da Sardenha e das Ilhas menores.

2 — A estatística elaborada sôbre estas observações revela que a maior parte das passagens de OANIS ocorreu quando imperavam boas condições atmosféricas, nas horas próximas da aurora ou do crepusculo e que, em pequena porcentagem dos casos, a direção do deslocamento foi aproximadamente de Norte para Sul ou vice versa: isto é, os objetos desconhecidos pareciam seguir, de preferência, a direção dos meridianos.

3 — Estas constatações fazem supor a existência de UMA RAZÃO pela qual o fenômeno obedeça a uma espécie de "horário" e a uma espécie de "orientação".

4 — Admitindo-se a existência de aéreos observadores, a bordo dos OANIS (ou então aparelhos telegistradores), é compreensivel a escolha das horas em que a incidência da luz solar revela com maior clareza as características geofísicas da superficie terrestre e nas quais não se produzem os ofuscantes reflexos verticais provenientes dos mares ou das superficies de água em geral.

5 — O deslocamento segundo os meridianos poderia estar em função do campo magnético terrestre e do sistema de sustentação e propulsão eletrônica dos OANIS; ou também poderão existir outras razões desconhecidas, pelas quais o deslocamento em angulo reto (com relação por exemplo, à chegada da energia proveniente do Sol), se preste melhor que um deslocamento paralelo aos raios solares.

6 — O gráfico da frequência diária das aparições no período outubro-novembro de 1954, revela que a incidência maior ocorreu nos dias 14 e 26 de outubro e nos dias 11 e 20 de novembro "o que faz supor que as fases lunares tenham alguma relação com a frequência das aparições".

Este fato que até agora passara desapercebido, presta-se a interpretações muito interessantes, se colocado em relação com o famoso gráfico traçado pelo falecido Prof. Paolo Vocca, o qual já estimava o fenômeno dos discos-voadores desde a época em que começaram a ser assinalados pela América do Norte, em 1947.

Perito em astronomia geodésica, o Prof. Vocca fêz um estudo sôbre a frequência das aparições de OANIS e percebeu que estas eram mais numerosas quando as Oposições de Marte efetivavam a distancia mínima entre o Planeta Vermelho e a Terra. As observações de OANIS em 1954 ocorreram de acordo com as previsões do Prof. Vocca; por isso, existe a probabilidade de que no ano de 1956 o fenômeno se repita (entre abril e novembro?) com frequência ainda mais notável.

Contudo, não se pode prever que a nova série de aparições ocorra na Itália; poderá se desenvolver em qualquer outra região do globo; por esta razão, parece oportuno que os Centros de Estudos com os mesmos objetivos do CIRNOS se organizem tempestivamente para uma observação mais atenta, pondo-se desde já em estreito intercambio uns com os outros.

O CIRNOS convida aquêles que tenham tido a comissão de observar fenômenos do tipo O A N I, a responder o questionário já em distribuição pelo Centro, de forma a comunicar as datas das fases, mesmo com a precisão necessária à elaboração estatística. O CIRNOS propõe aos seus colaboradores e também a todos os estudiosos do assunto, o exame dos resultados desta primeira e modesta pesquisa, à luz de seus próprios conhecimentos e experiência.

O grande número de aparições assinaladas em todo o mundo e a casuística dos fenômenos, que se repetem frequentemente sob a mesma modalidade, deve evar à convicção de que não é mais possivel fazer-se de pérola e muito menos de fenômenos naturais conhecidos e classificados.

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Marina de Pietrasanta (Lucca)
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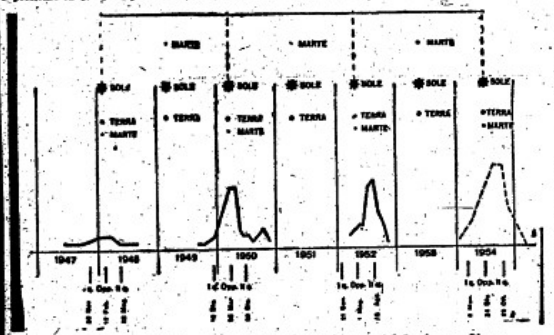

Este é o diagrama elaborado pelo Prof. Paolo Vocca e publicado no «Giornale», de Nápoles, em 2 de Dezembro de 1953. Neste diagrama o Prof. Vocca figurou a frequência mundial de aparições de OANI entre 1947 e 1952, confrontando-a com os períodos de aproximação Marte-Terra. Baseando-se nos resultados deste confronto, êle previu uma grande onda de aparições para 1954, mas não sobreviveu para ver confirmada a sua previsão.

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ESTA NOVA SECÇÃO ESTÁ A CARGO DO CICOANI 1 *

"O DIÁRIO"
BELO HORIZONTE
20 AGO 1958

Apresentando aos leitores de O DIÁRIO esta nova secção, na qual se focalizará com regularidade o problema dos Objetos Aéreos Não Identificados, e para justificá-la perante aqueles que por considerarem ainda os discos voadores apenas um meio de se fazer sensacionalismo, poderiam estranhar o seu aparecimento nas colunas tradicionalmente sérias deste jornal, achamos oportuno reproduzir dois importantes pronunciamentos sobre a questão, divulgados pela imprensa mundial nestas últimas semanas.

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Preocupado quanto aos aspetos psicológicos do problema dos discos-voadores, o famoso psicólogo suíço Carl Jung concitou as autoridades, «de posse de importantes informações», a colocar o público ao corrente da questão, «o mais depressa possível». Recuando-se a opinar sobre o problema da realidade física dos OANIS, «por não possuir suficientes provas a favor ou contra», o psicólogo defendeu a política de um honesto esclarecimento do público, pois não julga afastada a hipótese de um futuro contato da humanidade com seres extra-terrenos de inteligência superior. No caso de se confirmar esta hipótese — disse ele — «poderíamos nos ver colocados na posição extremamente precária das comunidades primitivas, em conflito com a cultura superior dos brancos. Uma catástrofe moral seria o resultado, comparável à ruína das culturas primitivas, de que fomos testemunhas». O Prof. Jung estranhou que a Força Aérea Norte-Americana, «apesar de toda a informação que possui e de seu alegado temor de criar pânico, parece esforçar-se sistematicamente para fazer exatamente isso: nunca publicou uma exposição autêntica e certa dos acontecimentos».

Estas opiniões, expostas recentemente em um livro de sua autoria e comentadas em um boletim mensal da A. P. R. O. — «Aerial Phenomena Research Organization», de Novo Mexico, EE. UU., o Prof. Jung as expôs pelo menos desde 1954.

Aliás, foi em Setembro daquele ano, por ocasião de um Congresso da Federação Astronáutica Internacional, que o Marechal do Ar Lord Dowding, o pioneiro astronauta alemão Hermann Oberth e várias outras eminentes personalidades, conclamaram a sua crença na origem extra-terrena dos discos-voadores. O Presidente da Sociedade Interplanetária Britânica, Dr. R. L. Shaper, falou na ocasião sobre a necessidade de «dar a todos os futuros turista, do espaço uma cordial acolhida, cada vez que eles cheguem à Terra», enquanto o Prof. Buch-Anderson, de Copenhague, lembrava que «pela primeira vez na história da humanidade, talvez exista a possibilidade de se estabelecer uma comunicação inteligente, no terreno físico, entre a Terra e os outros planetas». Concluiu afirmando: «Seríamos culpados de uma extrema loucura se fizéssemos algo que estorvasse um contato, que poderia trazer-nos bênçãos nunca concebidas por uma humanidade desoladas».

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O Vice-Almirante Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter ocupou, durante dois anos, o mais elevado posto do serviço secreto norte-americano, dirigindo o Serviço Central de Inteligência dos EE. UU. Atualmente na reserva, é um dos mais importantes membros do NICAP — National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena de Washington, entidade civil que estuda o problema dos OANIs, sob a chefia do famoso pesquisador Major Donald E. Keyhoe, também da reserva naval.

Profligando a atitude das autoridades, de esconder ao público a verdade sobre os discos-voadores, o Almirante Hillenkoetter teria dito, conforme recente despacho da U. P. I.:

«Pelas provas que o Comitê (NICAP) possue em seu poder, é evidente que a Força Aérea continua ocultando dados sobre os OANIs, inclusive relatórios de pessoas que os avistaram. Trata-se de uma política perigosa, em nossa opinião, pois dá ensejo a que a URSS assuma a paternidade dos discos-voadores, o que poderia criar uma situação grave neste país, sobretudo atualmente».

Após referir-se a uma Comissão que na Câmara dos Representantes investigou sigilosamente o assunto, finaliza: «Deveria ser permitido que o público conhecesse o que se soube, até agora, sobre os discos-voadores, salvo no caso de tal revelação provocar alarme ou pânico indevido. Se a revelação for feita de forma a despertar o interesse intelectual em vez de evitar as emoções, muito se lucraria» (Os grifos são nossos).

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O CICOANI, assim como os inúmeros outros centros de pesquisa espalhados pelo mundo exposa as opiniões autorizadas de tantas figuras eminentes como Prof. Jung, Alm. Hillenkoetter, Maj. D. Keyhoe e outras, de que a manutenção de tal segredo pelo receio de causar pânico ou por qualquer outra razão de Estado, não deve prevalecer contra a necessidade de se ir habituando o público à idéia de um possível contato com seres superiores de outros planetas. Julgamos que a documentação coligida pelos pesquisadores já tornou bem suficiente para se afirmar que seres desconhecidos estão nos sobrevoando há muitos anos, em suas espaço-naves e que, pela sua estratégia e comportamento demonstram possuir bem elaborados planos, de algum modo relativos a nós ou ao planeta que habitamos.

Se continuarmos psicologicamente despreparados para esta realidade, boa ou má, não se sabe ainda, o é que poderá sobrevir repentinamente o pânico fatal ou, como admite o Prof. Jung, uma «catástrofe moral» comparável em seus resultados à ruína das culturas primitivas, quando colocadas em contato inesperado com os colonizadores brancos.

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Pelas razões acima expostas, parece-nos plenamente justificado e oportuno o ap recimento desta secção sobre os OANIs nas colunas de O DIÁRIO. Ao que se saiba, é este o primeiro orgão da imprensa quotidiana, em todo o mundo, a apresentar uma especialização sobre o assunto. Estamos certos de que esta atitude pioneira será coroada de êxito e que o exemplo frutificará, pois o sistemático esclarecimento do público sobre os discos-voadores vem ao encontro de seu crescente interesse pelo assunto.

Através de artigos, comentários, teorias, reportagens e notícias, procuraremos manter os leitores bem informados quanto ao avanço das pesquisas em todo o mundo. Para esse fim contaremos, nestas colunas, com a colaboração de muitas das maiores autoridades nacionais e estrangeiras no domínio do que se convencionou denominar «UFOLOGIA» (Estudo dos UFOs — Unidentified Flying Objects).

Gostaríamos de poder contar também com a preciosa colaboração dos leitores, para que estejamos sempre ao par das atividades dos OANIs sobre o território nacional.

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RECENTES OCORRÊNCIAS NA ITALIA

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Enquanto um estranho esplendor clareava o céu noturno sobre enorme area, um OANI alongado era avistado e as luzes de Roma se enfraqueciam, chegando mesmo a faltar completamente as luzes de outras localidades.

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Segundo o Sr. Ernesto Thayaht, diretor do CIRNOS e o Sr. Umberto Cerazzi, correspondente do CICOANI na area de Milão, as observações de OANIs na Italia recomeçaram cerca de 2 meses atrás, após um longo periodo de quase absteccão. Em relatorios recentes, os Srs. Thayaht e Cerazzi enviaram a este Centro informações sobre varias ocorrencias. Entretanto, vamos nos limitar ao caso mais importante:

Na noite de 3 de agosto ultimo — relata o Sr. Umberto Cerazzi — Roma, Rieti, Napoles, Bari e outras importantes cidades da Italia meridional e central, foram testemunhas de singular fenomeno: um imprevisto e deslumbrante fulgor (para alguns de cor alaranjada, para outros de cor verde brilhante), provocado, ao que parece, por um misterioso objeto de coloração muito branca.

Para que os leitores tenham uma ideia mais precisa do que aconteceu e da repercussão de isso na imprensa italiana, transcrevemos as noticias de algumas jornais:

Do «Il Messaggero», de 4 — Ago.—58, sobre a ocorrencia em Roma (Lazio): «Singular fenomeno verificou-se ontem à noite, às 2,25 horas. Um repentino esplendor, como que produzido por colossal explosão, iluminou fortemente a abobada celeste, durante dois ou tres segundos. Simultaneamente, as luzes de Roma enfraqueceram e, em outras localidades da provincia e da regiao, a iluminação chegou a faltar completamente. O fato foi assinalado ao mesmo tempo por numerosissimas pessoas que se encontravam ao ar livre ou viajando em automoveis. Além de Roma, o fenomeno foi também observado de Civitavecchia, Palo, Acilia, Fiumicino e Sgurgola. A descrição mais detalhada foi fornecida pelo dr. Angelo Corsi, medico de Sgurgola, que juntamente com o Prof. Alberto Ricci, o geometra Gino Truglia, o sr. Quinto Bianchi e numerosas outras pessoas, encontrava-se ao ar livre, naquele momento.

«O céu — afirmou o Dr. Corsi — clareou-se com uma luz de côr violeta-alaranjada, como que produzida por uma grande explosão. Toda a planicie circunstante tornou-se visivel como em pleno dia. Cerca de tres segundos após o fulgor, verifi-se um estrondo. O radio de um veiculo que estava ligado, cessou de funcionar. Apagaram-se as luzes nas casas e nos logradouros. Depois do grande fulgor, permaneceu no céu uma longa esteira esbranquiçada, com a forma de um leque».

Por outro lado, o jornal «La Notte», também de 4 de agosto, publicou o seguinte:

«Em Napoles (Campania), o pessoal da empresa de transportes urbanos que, ontem à noite, pouco antes das 2,30 da madrugada, efetuava consertos na rede aérea dos onibus eletricos, avistou uma grande e luminosissima esfera sulcando o céu e deixando uma esteira de côr viva, com tonalidades variadas. No céu de Rieti (Lazio), às 2,22 da madrugada, o sargento Paolo Palma e os guardas Vicenzo Ciocca e Ezio Trionfera avistaram um objeto luminoso com forma de charuto, de côr verde-esmeralda, o qual progredindo velozmente na direção Sudeste, por alguns segundos clareou as estradas, as colinas e as casas. Apagando-se lentamente ao luar, o objeto deixou visivel uma persistente esteira de fogos».

«O mesmo fenomeno verificou-se em Bari (Puglia), pouco depois das 2,30, quando um fulgurante corpo luminoso sulcou o céu da cidade, apresentando uma variedade de cores de vivissimas tonalidades».

Do jornal «Il Mattino», de 4 de agosto: «O estranho objeto luminoso foi avistado ontem à noite, aproximadamente às 2 horas, no céu de Sessa Aurunca (Campania). Ele provinha da direção de Gaeta e clareava tôda a redondeza, como se fosse dia, desaparecendo na direção das montanhas Massico. Os que testemunharam o fenomeno afirmaram que ele tinha a forma de um longo charuto e que, depois de haver atravessado todo o céu da cidade, desapareceu sem deixar vestigios».

«Il Corriere d'Informazione», na sua edição da mesma data, informava sobre o fenomeno, observado de outro ponto da Italia. Ottaviani: «Cerca de 2 horas da madrugada, o Sr. Antonio La Marca, não conseguindo dormir em virtude da atmosfera sufocante chegou ao balcão de sua residencia, no bairro Greco, vendo então o céu clarear repentinamente com uma luz muito viva, semelhante, segundo afirmou, à queima produzida pela chama ozidrica. O fenomeno durou alguns segundos. Simultaneamente, a senhorita Maria Cinpeno viu a mesma luz da sua residencia, na rua Municipio. O Sr. Umberto Saetta, de 55 anos, declarou também ter avistado alguma coisa semelhante cerca das 22 horas de sexta-feira. Todos as testemunhas procisaram que o foco luminoso desapareceu em seguida, deixando uma esteira no céu».

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Nas descrições acima, o fenomeno aparece claramente relacionado com a presença de um ou mais OANIs, devendo-se ressaltar as falhas nos sistemas elétricos de varias localidades, corridas na ocasião.

Como veremos na proxima publicação, misteriosos fulgores iguais seguidos de estrondos têm se repetido com frequencia, também no Brasil. E' possivel que nem todos se possam explicar como produtos de quedas de bolidos ou de foguetes e satelites artificiais.

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DIARIO DE MINAS — Belo Horizonte — Domingo, 6 de Outubro de 1957 — PÁGINA CINCO

Confirma o deputado o fenomeno observado em Salinas

"Não se apagou nem deu impressão de queda", observou o sr. Clemente Medrado — O corpo luminoso apresentava a forma de cone ou pêra — Depoimento do parlamentar para o Centro de Investigações dos Corpos e Objetos Aéreos Não Identificados

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Encerrando a publicação do relatório obtido do CICOANI, registramos aparições ocorridas no período de 14-7 a 16-8-57 – que por um lapso deixaram de ser incluídas em edição anterior – apresentamos as anotações relativas aos últimos meses do ano passado.

14-7-57 — MORRO DO FERRO, MG (AD) — Ao crepúsculo uma chefe lavoura já não via muito claramente, resolveu beber fumo, parando a bateia apitador um fazer ruído, sua trajetória notificou horizontal de sentido Diamante-Nordeste. (Rel. nº 186).

16-7-57 — RIO DE JANEIRO — Ainda à hora de crepúsculo, objeto desconhecido passou ao largo da Capital Federal. Observado do Jardim e em movimento de Lua. (Rel. nº 200). Outro relatório referiu ao mesmo objeto: Às 17,30 horas, observado da Urca um OANI prateado, na direção do Pão Cúcar. Media estimado pelo piloto de centenas metros. Desapareceu subindo a grande velocidade. (UPO Cr-tanal Industrial, SP, Rel. Mod. 57.)

16-7-57 — IGUATAMA — MG (AD) — Por dois seres, OANIS observaram à altura baixa terra. Da segunda vez, se aproximou e, depois viram 3 objetos luminosos, um de forma alongada, seguido por outro menor e o terceiro, tendo os dois se unido em grande velocidade. ("O DIARIO", 7-8-57).

17-7-57 — ADAMOLIS, GO (AN) — Objeto arredondado, achatado e de cores luminosidade, alaranjada, avistado em trajetória na direção Norte-Sul, observando trajetória retilínea a baixa velocidade. (Rel. nº 181).

4-8-57 — NIQUELÂNDIA, GO (AN) — Um fotógrafo jata de luz, vindo do sul, observado por funcionários que, utilizando a claridade da rádio, tentaram se aproximar, ocasião em que se apagou a luz. O OANI aproximou-se ocorrido vindo se contra e acidente na pedreira. ("Diário da Noite", São Paulo, 6-8-57).

11-8-57 — S. PAULO, SP (AN) — Dois lavradores de uma fazenda-casa brilhante avistou ao céu durante 3 minutos.

14-8-57 — RIO DE JANEIRO DF (AD) — OANI observado à hora da dia (15 horas), do Rio acompanhe: espelar, com asas, brilhante, com uma antiaérea em uma das extremidades, que locam-se lentamente a baixa altitude, sem fazer ruído. ("O Globo", 15-8-57).

14-8-57 — BOCA POSTO ALEGRE RIO (AN) — De bordo de um C-47 da «Varig», PP-VCC, às 20,30 horas aproximadamente o Pontal: OANI com forma de um prato, com uma cúpula. Um vez iniciou na parte superior e ascendeu ao inferior. Durou cinco minutos de 2 minutos de observ-ção. O objeto cortou a rota de avião, pela frente, com velocidade, aparentemente, imobilizou-se por minutos e novamente numa corrida de minutos, sendo. ("Diário da Noite". São Paulo).

14-8-57 — OANIS NO SUL, BA (AD) — A 130 de madrugada, um objeto aéreo de luminosidade intensa cruzou o céu em plena tranquilidade, dirigindo a um passageiro uma corrida de luz. ("Diário da Noite", 15-8-57).

16-8-57 — S. PAULO, SP (AN) — Às 22,20, foi observado do Barro Bom Retiro um objeto refletindo o avermelhado subindo a grande altitude e, depois de imóvel por minutos, fazendo ziguezagues antes de desaparecer. ("O Dia", São Paulo, 17-8-57).

16-8-57 — S. PAULO SP (AN) — Nota anterior, OANI de forma triangular e intensa luminosidade branca, lançando um jato de luz da parte dianteira. Altitude estimada em 120 m. Uma velocidade baixa. direção Leste-Oeste. ("UPO Crítica Industrial, S.P., Rel. Mod. 57.)

20-11-57 — LEME, SP — Um corpo estranho caiu do céu, na Água Santa Verônica. Testemunhas descreveram-no como uma "pedra preta", Enviado ao Instituto de Mineralogia de São Paulo, para análise ("Correio Paulistano", 9-12-57). A análise do material foi constatado que os elementos são constituídos de 15 de vidro, resíduos de substâncias orgânicas de combustão incompleta de matéria orgânica. ("O Globo", 12-12-57).

2-11-57 — CAMPINAS, SP (AN) — Cerca de 20,00, OANI de luzes luminosidade vermelha-alaranjada, deslocando-se vindo direção na direção de Mogi-Mirim. ("O Est. de São Paulo, 5-12-57).

4-12-57 — SALVADOR, BA (AD) — Do Quartel General Região da Estrada, observado às 13 horas um corpo que a muitas dez pessoas estavam ser Vermo. A utilização de um binóculo pouco lor alhetado este espaço, pois foi observado a forma cilíndrica do corpo. O seu juntamente a bombeiros e foi do o OANI de partiu em dois metades. Uma seguiu rumo Sul e a outra, após alguns tempo, a acompanhou. ("O Tel. de São Paulo, 6-12-57).

20-12-57 — RIO DE JANEIRO DF (AN) — Por volta das 21 horas, observado da Lagoa Rodrigo de Freitas um OANI luminoso, deslocando-se na direção da Pedra da Gávea. ("O Dia", 21-12-57).

18-12-57 — CHOCOLATE BARRO — AN — Cerca de 20,00 horas, foi Crockett Sá. Estação da E. F. Central do Brasil passa a categoria E.12, onde observado objeto Agnaldo, para um objeto no céu. Da Estação não foi observado, tendo por 10 minutos, abaixo das nuvens, um corpo luminoso cuja luz alaranjada alcançava o solo. Fez pequenos movimentos laterais, aumentou o seu brilho e deixou ver a sua silueta arredondada, com forma de esfera plateada, sua extensão por pequeno milímetro de objeto. Depois disso, desapareceu na direção da Chapadinha do Campo. ("O DIARIO", 19-12-57).

19-12-57 — JABOTICABAL, SP — Um agricultor informou às autoridades locais que um objeto com forma de garrafa, tendo o cano 3 metros de diam. e 4 de comprimento, pousara a 40 m. de 25 metros de distância. Visto-o e local, as autoridades foram encontrar o capim amassado. ("Folha da Manhã", 24-12-57).

12-12 — BAIXA DO FERRADO (AN) — Cerca das 22 horas, uma cerca Ramiro e pilotos que iam Barra do Piraí-e Divinópolis, tendo os ocupantes do um automóvel apoiado os fazer a observação e vôlta. Um objeto se aproximou do carro e parou a pouca metros do solo. Era diurno, todo luminoso e tinha seis metros de diâmetro. Quando um comissário se aproximou o mesmo se deslocou outra luminosa. — ("Folha da Manhã", 12-12-57).

11-12-57 — S. FRANCISCO, MA (AN) — Do povoado Taboquinha, mun. de São Francisco, foi observado um OANI no momento em que mergulhava para o mar. Cercado na água, os tripulantes acenaram para salvar o viram o objeto subir de nova. Testemunhas guiavam a vegetação até existente. (O Dia", 14-12-57).

13-12-57 — S. VICENTE, SP (AD) — Cerca das 3 horas, foi avistado do Vila um OANI de cor alaranjada, com formato de disco, deslocando-se a grande velocidade. (O Est. de São Paulo, 13-12-57).

15-12-57 — S. PAULO, SP (AN) — Do Palácio da Polícia às 23 horas, observado objeto de forma alongada o tripulantes luminosidade intermitente, da mesma cor, subindo a grande velocidade. ("Diário da Noite, SP — 16-12-57).

16-12-57 — COLATINA, ES (AD) — Cerca das 18 horas, foi observado de 300 metros de altitude, pousado uma pista em [illegible] de forma arredondada e aparentemente luminoso. Que 7 retornaram os observadores, que foram chamar outras testemunhas, o objeto havia desaparecido, deixando apenas marcado a vegetação de local onde estivera (um círculo de 12 metros de diâmetro). Amostras do terreno não foram estudadas pelo Instituto de Tecnologia de Engenho Nasio. ("O Globo", 17-12-57).

20-12-57 — PORTO ALEGRE, RIO (AD) — OANI de forma ovoi e sem bordo, observado durante vários minutos por grande parte da população. — ("Diário de Minas", 22-12-57).

OBSERVAÇÕES FINAIS DO CICOANI: Nos últimos dias de 1957 houve concentração que deixaram de incluir na relação acima, por faltarem ainda detalhes conclusão. Entre os dias 28 e 29 de Dezembro, uma grande esfera, em luminosa, atuou o céu do Rio Horizonte, às 4 horas da madrugada. Recebemos uma comunicação de pessoa diferentes e de pessoas que não se conhecem. Outra observação muito rezada foi feita em plena luz do dia, na estrada Nogueira-Rio. Horizonte: um objeto estranho passou a baixa altura, tendo sido observado com detalhes por testemunhas idôneas, que pessoas nos subscrevem.

Também por falta de dados amostrais, deixamos de incluir outras observações de pessoas, duas Belo-Horizonte, ocorridas há muito tempo, cujos relatórios ainda não chegaram ao CICOANI. A fim de que possamos completar o nosso «dossier» que constitue o nosso material de pesquisa, pedimos um apoio a todos os testemunhas de fenômenos semelhantes para se corresponderem com o CICOANI (Av. Paraíba, 451, serra. Belo Horizonte).

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Retornam os discos voadores

14 AUMENTAM AS APARIÇÕES REGISTRADAS PELO CICOANI 10 JUL 1959

Grande número de leitores desta Seção interpelou-nos sobre a ausência de "Ufologia" nas colunas de O DIARIO. Motivos alheios à nossa vontade obrigaram-nos a uma interrupção, mas hoje recomeçam as nossas publicações sobre os "discos voadores". E recomeçam em momento oportuno, pois as notícias recolhidas no mês passado fazem-nos supor que uma nova onda de aparições começa a varrer o mundo. Se se confirmar esta suposição, durante os próximos quatro ou cinco mêses importantes acontecimentos irão ocorrer.

Com relação ao mês de Junho daremos em seguida um resumo das observações noticiadas pela Imprensa do país ou chegadas diretamente ao CICOANI:

1|6|59 — (APARIÇÃO NOTURNA) — ANCUD (CHILE) — Uma turma de operários, a bordo de um caminhão, observou um OANI de luz multicolorida, oscilando lateralmente e deslocando-se a grande velocidade em direção ao mar. As testemunhas se impressionaram com o fenômeno. ("O Globo" R. 5|6|59).

"1|6|59) — PIQUEROBI, SP — A pequena altitude e cerca de 200 metros de distância de uma rodovia foi observado um aparelho em forma de prato de pequenas dimensões taproximadamente 1 metro de diâmetro), encimado por uma cúpula que irradiava luz de extraordinária intensidade O CANI provocou espanto pela tremenda rapidez e violencia com que se deslocava de um lado para outro, antes de tomar o rumo lesteTestemunhas: o Prefeito Municipal e cinco estudantes que, em seus veículos, transitavam à noite pela rodovia. ("Folha da Manhã", S. Paulo, 13|6|59).

15|6|59 (AD) — MARAÚ, BA — A's 12,35 horas, um objeto de forma alongada e côr prateada surgiu do sudoeste, a grande altura, deixando uma esteira esbranquiçada no céu. Pouco depois, da mesma direção apareceu outro OANI, semelhante porém maior que o primeiro, deixando uma esteira bifurcada. Não se ouviu o mínimo ruido e a população, toda ela testemunha dos fenômenos, afastou a hipótese de que se tratassem de aviões. ("O Jornal", Rio, — 16|6|59).

15|6|59 (AN) — FORTALEZA, CE — Entre 21 e 21,30 horas, várias pessoas avistaram um objeto estranho. Segundo ainda informações de um piloto da FAB, um OANI passou muito próximo a seu avião, em vôo tendo sido observado também pelo pessoal da Torre de Controle. O fato foi levado ao conhecimento do Comando da Base Aérea de Fortaleza. ("O Globo". Rio, 22|6|59).

17|6|59 (AD) — PASSA TEMPO, MG — A's 15,50 horas um ruido semelhante ao de uma carroça rodando no asfalto concentrou, no céu, a atenção de Coletor Federal e de muitos outros cidadãos. Esse ruido era causado por um OANI arredondado, de côr prateada, que voava lentamente e girava da direita para a esquerda, seguindo a direção Sul-Norte. O objeto baixou um tanto e depois subiu, ganhando velocidade para desaparecer. (O DIARIO, B. H., 23|6|59).

13|6|59 (AN) — BLUMENAU, SC — A's 13 horas aproximadamente, foi avistado no céu um objeto um enorme OANI com formato de charuto, descrevendo rápidas curvas sem fazer ruido e deixando pequena esteira esbranquiçada à retaguarda. As primeiras testemunhas, alunos do Grupo Escolar "Machado de Assis", chamaram a atenção de várias professoras e de transeuntes, antes que o objeto desaparecesse em sua trajetória Norte-Sul. ("O Jornal", Rio, 16|6|59).

19|6|59 (AN) — CUXHAVEN, ALEMANHA — Um "engenho redondo" foi observado às 20,30 horas, a sobrevoar o Schleswig-Holstein. Visível durante 5 segundos, o OANI desapareceu coberto pelas nuvens. ("Correio Paulistano", SP, 21-6-59).

19|6|59 (AD) — ITANHAÉM, SP — Cerca das 12 horas foi avistado um objeto arredondado, côr de chumbo, deslocando-se na direção Sul-Norte e depois virando para o Oeste, sem fazer ruído. A principal testemunha, sr. Paulo Batista de Andrade, ex-piloto militar e proprietário do hotel local, levou o fato ao conhecimento do Delegado de Polícia, que por sua vez o Transmitiu à Base de Santos. Esta abriu inquérito, destacando dois oficiais para investigar o caso, inclusive as notícias de que o OANI teria voltado ao local às 15 horas. Por outro lado, informações de localidades vizinhas como Itariri e Ana Dias, confirmaram a passagem de um objeto estranho ("A Tribuna" - Santos, 23|6|59).

21|6|59 — (AN) — RIO DE JANEIRO, DF — Durante 15 minutos, por volta das 19 horas, muitas pessoas de Copacabana observaram três corpos luminosos singrando o céu lentamente na direção Norte-Sul. As luzes variavam de tom e de intensidade. Várias testemunhas telefonaram para os jornais, pedindo explicações. ("O Estado de S Paulo", 23|6|59).

22|6|59 (AD) — BELO HORIZONTE, MG — Entre 10 e 10.30 uma criança de 5 anos espantou-se ao vêr um objeto arredondado, côr branca e velocidade regular, cruzando o céu silenciosamente (em vôo horizontal), na direção geral Sul-Norte. No dia seguinte chegou ao CICOANI depoimento de uma testemunha adulta, de outro bairro confirmando totalmente o relato da criança.

26|6|59 (AN) BELO HORIZONTE, MG — Por volta das 19 horas, quando rumava de automóvel para a direção sul da cidade, um Comandante de Aeronave, do "Consócio Real", avistou um objeto luminoso muito estranho cruzar o céu. Faltam ainda detalhes deste caso:

28|6|59 (AD) — BELO HORIZONTE, MG — Cêrca das 11 horas, do Bairro Cruzeiro um vendedor ambulante e um jardineiro fixaram os olhos no céu, cuja passava silenciosamente, seguindo a direção Sul, um objeto pratcado, longo, de contornos bem definidos, parecendo um avião sem asas. Acima do aparelho as testemunhas observaram duas manchas ou saliências verticais, que não puderam identificar.

Já se cuida de controlar a força da gravidade

COLABORAÇÃO DO CENTRO DE INVESTIGAÇÃO CIVIL DOS OBJETOS AEREOS NÃO IDENTIFICADOS

Chegado ao Brasil há poucos dias, encontra-se nesta Capital, em contato com o CICOANI, o Dr. Lucien Frémont, membro da «Comission Internationale d'Enquête Scientifique OURAMOS».

Sob a direção geral do Sr. Marc Thirouin, essa entidade francesa promove amplas pesquisas sobre os problemas do Espaço, especialmente sobre os Objetos Aéreos Não Identificados. O engenheiro Frémont, especialista em Hidraulica, pretende fixar residencia em nosso país e continuar aqui os seus trabalhos nesse setor.

O CONTROLE DA FORÇA GRAVITACIONAL

As atividades do jovem engenheiro se estendem a um genero de pesquisas que começa a chamar a atenção de varios paises, principalmente daquele que lideram a luta pela conquista do [illegible] assunto, o sr. Frémont prestou[illegible]

«Há muitos anos venho fazendo pesquisas sobre a Anti gravitação e outros problemas do Espaço. Trabalhei na França, ultimamente, com o Dr. Marcel Pagès, um eminente especialista que estuda este querido há cerca de 20 anos». Perguntado se esses estudos se desenvolvem sob o patrocinio de seu governo, declarou o engenheiro:

«Tais pesquisas são muito dispendiosas, mas nenhum financiamento do Estado nos foi proporcionado. O dr. Pages aplica seus proprios recursos financeiros, enquanto eu, até há pouco, nesta prosseguia à custa de meu trabalho como Engenheiro Chefe de Serviço, especializado em sondagens, perfurações do subsolo e demais problemas de hidraulica agricola, urbana e de irrigação».

Desejando saber a sua opinião a respeito da exploração astronomica à luz dos teorias de Einstein, o Dr. Frémont nos respondeu:

«Na época atual, o interesse do homem da Terra se dirige mais e mais para o estudo do céu, em busca de uma nova maneira de pensar. Seria feito esperar que uma informação obtida a partir de um setor limitado do Espaço durante um breve instante, fosse aplicável por todo o tempo e através de todo o Espaço? Uma questão desse genero constitui um dos resultados primordiais da Teoria da Relatividade de Einstein. A Relatividade parece ultrapassada atualmente porque ela se revelou incompleta à luz dos fatos. Mas não se poderia subestimar a relação de continuidade entre a Teoria e a Realidade, enunciada por Platão desde 1905».

Na sua opinião — perguntamos ao nosso entrevistado — quais são atualmente, os setores mais importantes no campo das pesquisas cósmicas? «Em primeiro lugar, poderiamos citar os estudos sobre a Antigravitação (domesticação da força da gravidade). A Anti-gravitação seria uma utopia? Julgo que não, e acredito que há muitos anos venho pressentindo que um campo eletromagnético pode se transformar em campo gravitacional e vice-versa. Sinceramente, aguardo o dia em que a solução completa desse problema possa ser conseguida nos Estados Unidos do Brasil.

COMO DOMINAR A FORÇA DA GRAVIDADE?

«Para se alcançar esse objetivo — continua o sr. Frémont — eu poderia indicar, em substancia, que um gerador eletronico especial acionaria a aparelhagem de indução unipolar, para produzir, em seguida, um campo magnetico e, por consequencia, um campo gravitacional». «Tais estudos são complexos e eu demoro mais em France o suficiente para estudar os resultados da mesma forma que o resto do universo, a supra-permeabilidade. Convem esclarecer que, ao falar de campo magnetico não me refiro ao campo magnetico variável, porque neste caso haveria um grande problema a resolver, resultante da energia dissipada pelas correntes formadas por indução, as quais provocariam uma grande elevação de temperatura».

Em conclusão, o astronauta que utilizar este principio deverá ser equipado com uma fonte de alimentação imune a esse efeito, que deverá permitir a passagem de forças nodais, através de algumas zonas de transição do Espaço Energético aos produtores turbilhões gravitacionais.

OS DISCOS VOADORES

Para o Dr. Frémont, o 2.º assunto em importancia e atualidade são os discos voadores. «Esses objetos — prevumenta ele — não parecem ser em função das leis físicas mas como mais libertos do seja da gravidade». A construção desses veículos siderais demonstra uma técnica científica imensamente superior à da Terra. É evidente que o cenário científico passa por uma revolução cosmogonica. Sem entrar em detalhes, pode-se citar a concepção dos cosmonautas no sentido de que a vida latente, nessa Galáxia e parte ínfima do Universo deve possuir dezenas de milhares de sistemas planetários, semelhantes ao sistema solar, e onde as condições de vida existam pelo menos sobre um planeta por sistema. Pode-se deduzir que hajam civilizações mais adiantadas que a nossa mas existirão também outras, de nível inferior. Note-se ainda que a Antigo Testamento se refere ao que, possivelmente, seriam homens descendo do céu em seus carros voadores (citações de Ezequiel e Daniel). O proprio Jesus Cristo, disse, que há muitas moradas na casa de meu Pai. Enfim, não se deve temer os discos voadores, mesmo porque de qualquer forma eles são uma realidade impossível de contradizer».

Qual é a sua opinião sobre o futuro e, em particular, sobre o Brasil?

«Em definitivo, eu temo a loucura dos homens que crêem que o Espaço lhes pertence. O genio humano deve, daqui por diante controlar a si mesmo antes de querer [illegible] tente algumas descobertas destes ultimos anos. Este é o problema. O homem da Terra o compreenderá a tempo? Por que não seguir o divino brasileiro: Ordem e Progresso? Estas duas qualidades são o apanágio da Civilização».

Concluindo o Dr. Frémont disse: «O Brasil me abriu suas portas, eu lhe agradeço e nele muito espero».

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LIVRO EM PREPARO

[illegible] «Objetos Aéreos não Identificados, Sociologia da Ciência», do Prof. Flávio A. Pereira, [illegible] da Faculdade de Filosofia de São Paulo e presidente da Sociedade Interplanetária Brasileira.

[illegible] Sociedade [illegible] na Capital o 1.º Simpósio [illegible] de Astronáutica, com a participação da «Asociación Argentina Interplanetaria» e da American Rocket Society. As [illegible] foram presididas pelo Dr. Andrew G. Haley, [illegible].

Com a participação do CICOANI e de outros pioneiros da [illegible] no Brasil, o Prof. Flávio Pereira promoveu em São Paulo, no mês de Maio do ano passado, uma reunião [illegible] para debater o problema dos OANIs. Desse Congresso ele evoluiu para a fundação, sob sua presidência, da «Comissão Brasileira de Pesquisa Confidencial Sobre os Objetos Aéreos Não Identificados», que reune um grupo selecionado de pesquisadores civis e militares.

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[illegible] o sr. Hulvio Brant Aleixo, fundador do Centro de Investigação Civil dos Objetos Aéreos Não Identificados, que [illegible] documentação sobre os "discos voadores" manifestou-se da seguinte forma: [illegible]

A presença dos "discos voadores" está a indicar que [illegible] cuja procedência, natureza e intenções permanecem ainda desconhecidas [illegible]

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